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Israel, Arab Demonstrators Meet Head On

SPORTS

Victoria Cougars have been getting superb goaltending from Murray Bannerman but not too many goals from their forwards. As a result, Cougars trail New Westminster 7-1 in their eight-point Western Canada Hockey League semi-final series following the Bruins' 3-1 victory Sunday night. Page 14.

Amateur Mike Gray's two up victory over Colwood professional Bob Hogarth ranked as a minor surprise but the highlight of Sunday's first-round matches in the 27th annual Vancouver Island Open tournament was the putting of Victoria Golf Club's Mike Parker. He had eight one-putt putts en route to a 5 and 4 triumph over MacLeod of Cowichan. Page 15.

Andy Messersmith, a celebrated free agent, returned to pitch against his former Los Angeles team but wasn't impressive although Atlanta Braves defeated the Dodgers 7-6 in National Baseball League play Sunday. More impressive, however, was the hitting of Mike Schmidt, who clouted five homers in two weekend games for Philadelphia Phillies. Page 15.

Also on today's sports pages, veteran Don January won golf's Tournament of Champions (page 16).

METHADONE KIDNAPPING

CHILLIWACK (CP) — RCMP Sunday were searching for an armed robber who took four ounces of concentrated methadone Saturday from a drug store in this Fraser Valley community.

A police spokesman said he didn't know whether that amount of methadone could be fatal because "that would probably depend on the individual."

Methadone is used in heroin withdrawal programs, but is diluted before being administered.

Police said that after the man, armed with a shot gun, took the methadone from the store, he forced a woman employee to drive him around Chilliwack while he drank the drug. The woman was released unharmed.

Skyjacker Gunned Down

DENVER (UPI) — FBI agents today shot and killed a hijacker holding two hostages at gunpoint when he switched from a commandeered light plane to a jet for a flight to Mexico City.

The hijacker, Roger Lentz, commanded the plane in Grand Island, Neb.

He was killed by agents as he stepped inside the passenger cabin of a Convair 990 at Stapleton International Airport.

Neither hostage, pilot Robert Blaauw of Grand Island nor mechanic Harlan Hillers, were injured. They preceded Lentz into the Convair and stepped out of the line of fire.

FBI spokesman Ted Rosack said Lentz was a native of Marquette, Neb., and had a Nebraska criminal record.

Rosack would not say how often Lentz, 31, was shot but said "there were quite a few gunshot wounds."

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GAMES GOOF: \$300,000

MONTREAL — French architect Roger Tallibert has made a fortune designing the stadium for this summer's Olympics in Montreal, but he has cut off the view for 10,000 spectators in the process.

A spokesman for the Olympic installations board admitted on the weekend that a guard rail will have to be lowered by 20 inches to remove the obstruction. The cost? About \$300,000. See story, pictures Page 3.



Rick West of the SPCA . . . and three little friends

WOODSMEN SPARE THOSE BEAR CUBS

By PAT DUFOUR

Times Staff

Sooke loggers Bill Ferguson and Frank Wilson were joined when they fell a huge cedar tree between Sooke and Jordan River and out popped a 200-pound bear.

"The tree was hollow and split open full length. This big black thing came tearing out and ran away. She had obviously gone inside to hibernate and clawed her way up inside about 50 feet," Ferguson said today.

"Then I heard noises and when I went to investigate there were three little cubs inside."

He said it was snowing when he and Wilson fell the tree. They discussed what to do and decided to leave the cubs tucked away in the trunk in the hope their mother would return.

She didn't.

Ferguson waited for about a day and a half.

"I took a bottle of milk up but they didn't want to feed. So we decided we'd better bring them out," he said.

"She (the bear) was probably terribly shocked," said Mrs. Ferguson. "My husband was also very surprised and very upset. He couldn't sleep, he was so worried about them. It was very cold and snowing."

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The cubs were taken to the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals' shelter on Napier Lane here.

About a foot long and

weighing four pounds each, the cubs are about two months old.

SPCA spokesman Rick West said they're each taking about 10 ounces of milkwater a day, being fed about every three hours.

"When we look in without disturbing them, you can see them playing and wrestling with each other but when people are around they stick close together in a corner for security," West said.

Ferguson said the cubs will be taken to the Stanley Park Zoo in Vancouver, probably on Wednesday.

But Ferguson still worries about their mother.

"He'd never have cut down the tree if he'd known," said his wife.

Employed by Fred Staverman, Ferguson and Wilson will have an eye out for the cubs' mother when they return to work on Tuesday.

SUDDEN SILENCE OVER LEBANON

BEIRUT (AP) — Fighting dropped off sharply in the Lebanese civil war today as Syrian officers called in Lebanese leaders to try to arrange enforcement of another ceasefire.

"Let's hope for the best," said Premier Rashed Karame. The security situation all over Lebanon is, relatively speaking, much, much better."

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and Col. Mohamed Khoury, the Syrian air force intelligence chief, came from Damascus and met Karami, Palestinian security chief Abu Hassoun and other Lebanese chieftains at Karami's home.

Former president Camille Chamoun, leader of the second-largest Christian militia, refused to attend, saying Karami's home was not a safe meeting place. But his son denied a report that Chamoun and his National Liberal party rejected the new Syrian peace plan. The son said Chamoun accepted the plan in general but objected to a provision rejecting any international (meaning American) or pan-Arab (meaning Egyptian) participation in the peacekeeping.

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A man in his early 20s terrorized 30 campers near Port Renfrew Sunday, threatening to "do them all in" with a Molotov cocktail.

Police said the man, in the company of another man and two women, drove into the B.C. Forest Products Ltd. Fairy Lake campsite about 3:35 p.m., swaggered up to a camper and punched him in the mouth.

Police said the attack was

MINE GUARD HANDCUFFED

KAMLOOPS (CP) — At least two men protesting the Afton Mines Ltd. development here handcuffed and tied a guard at the mine site on Sunday.

RCMP said they were investigating the incident.

They said that at least two men overpowered the guard and blindfolded him and handcuffed and tied him to a stepladder in a well. Police said the unidentified guard was not injured.

Later, a man telephoned a radio newsman at home and told him the incident was in protest over Afton's plans for a copper mine and smelter eight miles west of here.

The guard told police his assailants were wearing ski masks.

There were no further details.

Highway Chase Ends in Arrests

DUNCAN — Two juveniles and one adult are in custody here and are expected to appear in provincial court later in the week charged with robbery, car theft and hit-and-run.

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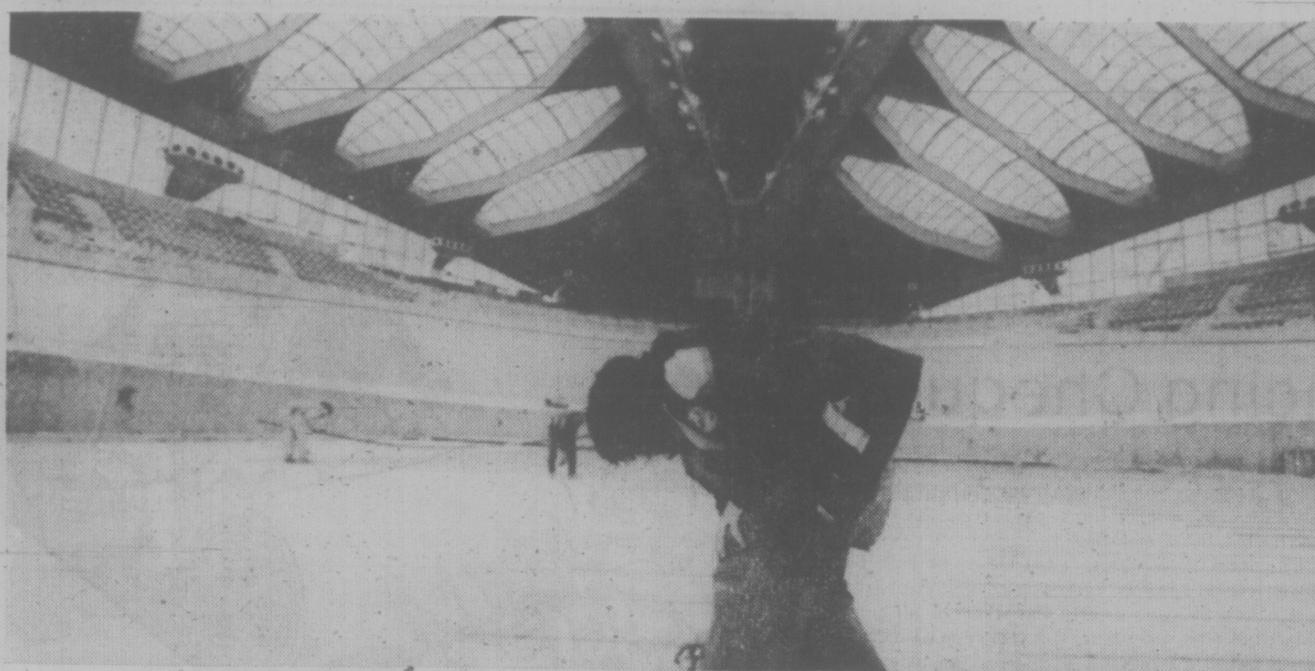
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The Guard Rail Blocks The View



Workmen apply finishing touches to velodrome where cycling and judo events will take place.

Latest Olympic Problem: 10,000 Can't See

MONTREAL (CP) — While the Olympic Games facilities were thrown open to more than 150,000 visitors during the weekend, Games organizers were trying to explain another financial set back caused by a design error in the main stadium.

Jean Riendeau, spokesman for the Olympic installations board, said Sunday night the stadium's architect, Roger Taillibert of France, "made an error in architectural conception" which would have blocked the view for some 10,000 spectators.

Riendeau said it would cost \$300,000 and 15 days' work to rectify the error.

Roger Trudeau, construction chief for the board, said the error involved a concrete guard rail running around an upper tier of the stadium which blocked the view of the playing field, partially or entirely, for spectators sitting above a certain level.

Trudeau said the top 20 inches of the rail will have to be lopped off and replaced with glass.

"We showed him (Taillibert) his error when he last visited the site April 10," said Riendeau, who emphasized that the extra work would not hinder progress towards opening day July 17.

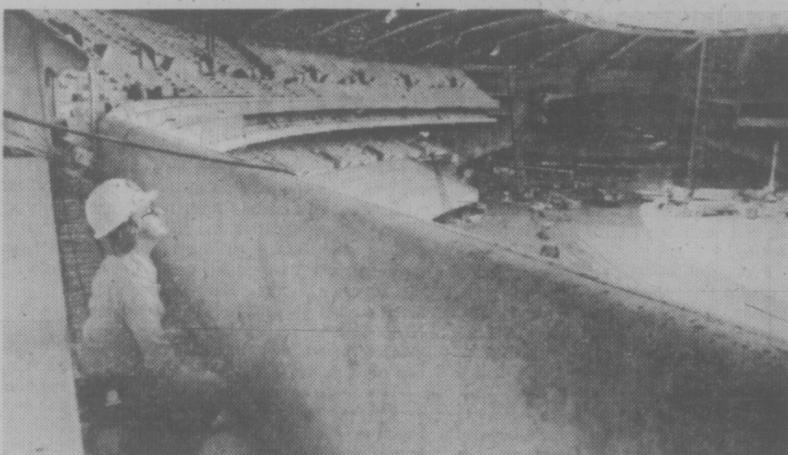
Riendeau said he did not know what difference the error would make in Taillibert's fees for designing the facilities. "In any case, his fee has not yet been settled."

Any error in design went unnoticed by the visitors who filed through the facilities Easter weekend to gape at the massive stadium, swim hall and velodrome.

Construction work was restricted Friday, Saturday and Sunday to give the general public an inside view — their first and last chance to see the facilities before the Games.

The official weekend tally stood at 149,589 when the facilities were closed to the public at 6 p.m. Sunday, but the board later announced turnstiles at four of eight entrances were not working Sunday afternoon.

Board spokesman Jean Riendeau estimated more than 200,000 people made the tour during the weekend.



An unidentified workman peers over guard rail that shuts off 10,000 viewers.

Only a few workmen sat resting on their silent matresses as visitors watched them. Work resumes in earnest at midnight Sunday and the public will not be admitted again until the facilities are opened for Olympic events July 17.

The stadium with its soaring concrete balconies and gaping but majestic roof brought the most comments.

"I think it's a great realization," said Guy Gazaille, an industrialist who lives in nearby Mont St. Hilaire. "The tour is the best thing that could happen. It will shut up a lot of the critics. People will forget about the cost and enjoy this fantastic complex."

But a worker who took the tour with his family said: "Who cares about getting this place finished on time when only the very rich are going to be able to afford the tickets for the good events."

Dennis Gauthier, a crane worker inside the main stadium, said: "There's only a few more concrete slabs to be lifted and fitted into the roof."

"It doesn't look too fancy right now, but this place is going to really be something when we've finished."

Visitors found the inner field that will be the scene of track and field events already

being levelled, with the track to be installed in coming weeks.

In the pool building officials had filled the diving pool with water, prompting one local reporter to take a cold dip on a a from OIB officials. The

competition pool has been tiled and spectator seating was mostly installed.

Many visitors found the velodrome with its banked cycle track and domed roof the most beautiful building on the site.

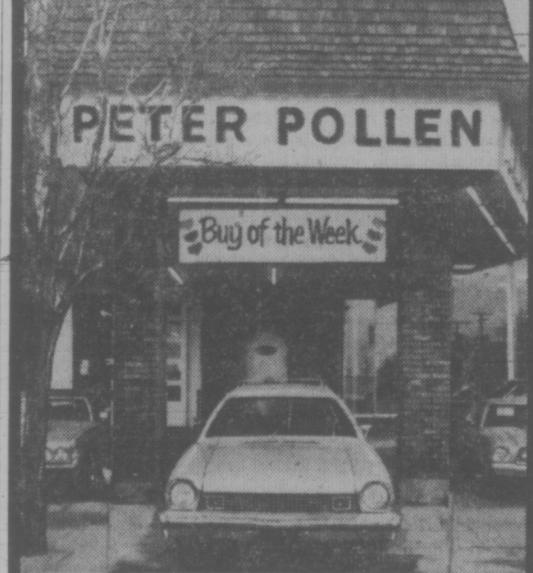
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Follow the Bouncing Cheque

The desire on the part of the new provincial government to discredit its predecessor is entirely understandable. Politicians of all stripes do it. Though they may paint the backdrop for their own little morality plays in starkest black and white, with none of the subtle shades of grey the rest of us know, voters can accept that. Experience teaches the necessity of discrediting a politician's claims.

But when the exaggeration goes beyond simple mudslinging and costs the taxpayers money, most people would object loudly.

So it is with the strange byplay of the last two weeks over the \$181 million deficit incurred by the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia in the just-ended fiscal year. The premier and his finance minister proclaimed the urgent necessity of passing legislation enabling the government

to borrow up to \$400 million, in part to pay the ICBC deficit.

The opposition delayed the bill, but the legislature eventually passed it last week. The government couldn't wait even that long. Just before the fiscal year expired on March 31 (the eve of April Fool's Day) it issued a cheque on provincial general revenues to cover the amount of the deficit, even though there was not enough cash on hand to cover it. ICBC was asked to hang onto the cheque until the bill was passed. (Try that on B.C. Hydro next time your electric bill is due and you're short of cash!)

The government explained that ICBC needed the money that urgently. That was two weeks ago. As to last week, when ICBC actually got the money? Why it loaned all \$181 million back to the government again, but at 10 per cent interest. It seems the crown corporation had plenty of cash

on hand from auto insurance premiums paid recently by B.C. motorists.

This is too clever by half. Sure, ICBC racked up a deficit that has to be paid off, but there's no urgent deadline. If it wanted to ease the load on the taxpayers' shoulders, the government could have specified a 10-year time payment plan if it wanted. Instead, for short-term political gain it forced payment all in the 1975-76 fiscal year and at the same time incurred an extra \$18 million expenditure for interest payments in the present fiscal year which all of us will have to pay.

If this is the new-look, "responsible" fiscal policy of the Bennett administration, then bring back the sloppily socialists, or even the old financial wizard himself. NSF cheques and elastic loans — a shocking example to set for the young voter!



George Oake

GEORGE OAKE

Premier's Graceful Gesture

If the tenor of the legislature resembled a slaughterhouse last Tuesday afternoon, it took on the attitude of a lap dog — if you'll forgive the metaphor — by evening.

Provincial Secretary Grace McCarthy handed out her facetious awards to the opposition, (sample: a set of mirrors for Dave Barrett that would make his Esquimalt home look like it was in Vancouver East) hardly kindling a reaction from the other side of the floor. That afternoon had clearly taken the MLAs to the brink of an abyss from which they had the good sense to retreat.

Infamous Remark

Rumors that Premier Bennett would call a one-week Easter recess also contributed to the meek mood of the evening sitting, so different from the viciousness of a few hours before.

Whether Premier Bennett's infamous remark — "It took two weeks to train my dogs" — was jocular or serious will never be sorted out. The fact that opposition benches interpreted it in the worst possible way is a symptom of the barely submerged rancor that infected this house.

Yet when the premier declared an Easter recess Wednesday morning during

a jocular press conference, he lanced a festering boil that was about to rupture.

It was a graceful thing to do and showed a sophistication and political elan rare in the B.C. legislature. Had the budget debate dragged on, or the bill on the British Columbia Railway financing been pushed through — legislation the NDP is dead set against — the house steeped in its own vitriol might have become a literal Bedlam.

Those who would dismiss our premier as a puppet of his father or a 44-year-old ingenue should observe him in the legislature. He is tough and ruthless, as a successful politician must be, especially the leader of a party that embraces such a wide spectrum of ideology.

But the grace note of the Easter recess to "allow the house to cool down," so MLAs can return to the house in a better frame of mind showed another side of the pepperpot from Kelowna. Not only did it take the initiative from the opposition which had been setting the mouse's pace, it showed the premier could rise above the pettiness of the last month and do the proper thing, regardless of the bitter polarization so evident last week.

When the legislature rose at 1:10 p.m. Thursday it was all chantilly lace. MLAs of differing persuasions waved goodbyes in the hall like members of a club off to the country.

The premier pulled it off. If there is a lesson here, it is that B.C. politics can be civilized. The cut and thrust of debate, a bludgeoning press, and partisan politics are all part of a larger order.

This government has had a rough ride in its first few months, much of it of its own making. In the traditions of the parliamentary system it brings in the harsh measures first and will undoubtedly follow them with a flurry of cushions to make the electorate comfortable before the next election.

Waved Goodbyes

The premier's austere press relations may be smoothed by the appointment of a new press secretary; that is, if the government gives him an honest mandate.

In the end though, it is up to Bill Bennett. He runs the place. His gracious gesture — a spur of the moment decision or a calculated ploy — was a good idea. Over the next week all 54 members should soak up the example along with the spring sun. Many seasons will pass before the next election. They should not be shrouded in the clouds of rancor that threatened last week.

Education Costs

Several years ago the Social Credit government of this province issued to the press a statement showing payments to members of the medical profession that year for services rendered under the medical insurance plan. I felt then, and still do, that this was entirely unwarranted and must have been designed to prejudice the doctors' claims in fee-for-service negotiations under the plan.

If those disclosures were deemed just and reasonable then, how much more just and reasonable would it be for the present Socred administration to direct school boards throughout the province to publish in their local press the salaries and indexed pensions of all teachers, administrators and employees under their jurisdiction?

Salaries of our MPs, cabinet ministers, mayors and aldermen and other ranking public servants are very much in the news presently when the need for financial restraint is so urgently needed.

It should be borne in mind that the success and financial rewards of the medical profession are directly related to the value of services rendered as is the practice in the business community. They are not salaried employees of government or municipalities paid out of public funds. Obviously the same standards are not applied in the teaching profession as has been so eloquently demonstrated recently.

There is no apparent end to the financial demands of the educators who are well versed in pressure tactics, and it is imperative that the taxpaying public be now enlightened as to how well the members and employees of the education profession have fared in contrast to those who must foot the bill and who are now bracing themselves for the bad news in bracing tax assessments from the local authorities.

Additionally, I believe that all school boards should be directed to obtain sworn depositions from all the teachers, administrators and employees under their jurisdiction indicating whether or not they have any financial interest in any business ventures not related to the duties for which they are compensated by the board.

This is standard procedure in the business world and long overdue in the field of education.

Furthermore, candidates for the office of school trustee should be disqualified if they, or any near relatives, derive income from teaching or other services to the board, on the grounds of potential conflict of interest.

It is of paramount importance that the public know how their taxes have been spent in view of the fact that since 1965 when education expenses totalled \$141 million that this year's expenditures have es-

calated to more than \$800 million, an increase of almost 500 per cent, and this during a period when attendance in schools and universities appears to be declining according to the minister of education.

During the same period, in this province, we note that the cost of subscribers to the British Columbia Medical Services Plan has increased only 50 per cent. That is just about one-tenth the rate of increase in the cost of education. The public have the right to know how their hard-earned money has been squandered to appease the militant educators. — Name Withheld.

Miracle Needed

I am presently receiving social assistance, as a single person, in the amount of \$160 per month. I am in this position because I am unable to find work. I am a janitor, and have applied for jobs at all the hospitals, department stores, and janitorial services in the area.

My question is: How am I expected to survive? My budget is as follows:

Rent	\$125.00
Oil	\$ 15.00
Electricity	\$ 15.00
Water	\$ 3.50

As you can see, this leaves me \$1.50 per month to feed and clothe myself. Any suggestions as to how I am supposed to accomplish this small miracle will be gratefully accepted. — Michael Kennedy, 1771 Pembroke Street.

Successful Event

Through your paper, I would like to thank the news media and the public for the support given to the tea and bazaar of the Canadian Council of the Blind, White Cane Club, held on April 2.

The money raised at this very successful event is being sent to the Royal Commonwealth Society to be used in either India or Africa, to provide funds for research to prevent blindness and for surgical services to restore the sight of those suffering from cataracts. — Mrs. Elizabeth Watling, president, Canadian Council of the Blind, Victoria.

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Saanich voters, three of them letter writers, aren't so thankful any more.

guess we'll have to wait until the next election. A final thought — who needs the clout of a labor union when one is an elected public official? — P. C. Clarkin, 302-190 Gorge Road.

Socialists Praised

I would like to reply to the letter of M. P. Paine Critical Opinion, April 13 in which he criticized, with very little in the way of facts, the policies of socialist democratic governments in various parts of the world.

The situation in Britain has become very popular to joke about here in B.C., and I suppose those jokers have conveniently forgotten that the British economic problems were brought on by the former Conservative government, and not by the existing Labor government. The socialists have decreased the annual inflation rate there from 26 per cent to 14 per cent in one year, and conditions are still improving.

While the NDP was in power in B.C. many very neglected social services and programs were brought up to a standard which we should be extremely proud of. The legislation and programs initiated were all positive, in terms of improving

the quality of our standard of living. I would like to see Mr. Paine or like people to justify the "sound fiscal management" of the current Socred government, as few if any of their taxes and price increases of services have been for the benefit of the people. Their arguments about paying off "deficits" have been shot down with facts by the opposition, for being the fantasies that they are.

I need not go any further into Mr. Paine's letter, as there is little point in explaining political philosophies to those who think that the USSR is operating with a socialist system. Someday maybe they'll get their facts together. — Rod Gee, 1153 Head Avenue.

Kirghizian Logic

Some people make nasty remarks that our provincial government is vindictive, that it doesn't give a hoot about ordinary citizens and that it only responds to the cash register jingle.

All that might very well be true but let us not forget that this government works hard to teach us about good business practices. It is just like attending a top-level business management course where

Biblical Example

All this talk about inflation and how to cure it is futile.

The only sure way to cure inflation is to prohibit interest, which is strictly prohibited in the bible.

It is about time we turned back to the bible for our way of life. — E. W. Abraham, 1125 Faithful Street.

Marine Signals

We are back again to the problem of locating those missing chlorine tank cars and tonight we are debating if it would be wise to bring them to the surface should we locate them.

I wonder if the federal government has ever thought of making it mandatory that all vessels transporting dangerous, noxious, or valuable cargo be equipped with a device similar to an aircraft crash position indicator. I believe there are fingers which are activated only when submerged and which emit a signal to aid surface vessels to pinpoint them when they sink.

It is too much to ask that one of these fingers be attached to certain vessels — perhaps all vessels — and so save us time and money when it comes to looking for them after they have foundered? — P. J. Brennan, 2555 Wootton Crescent.

Salaries Protested

I see our mayor of Saanich has shown the taxpayer a new way how to spell green, E-D, L-U-M. The ratepayers of Saanich must get together and dump this guy before he gets his eye on the salary paid out to the top brass at MacMillan Bloedel. How come he didn't backdate it to January, 1974, or even 1973? I guess he thought that he was giving us a break. — F. M. Penne, 5386 Alderley Road.

Elected Clout

The latest doings of the Saanich council set a new high for disregard of the voters who elected them to look after their interests. How they could have the colossal nerve to vote themselves two successive raises in salary in the short time they have been in office is almost beyond comprehension. And retroactive at that — a godly share from the public trough!

Those people knew what the stipend was when they were electioneering. It's a pity they didn't incorporate their scheme of jacking up their pittance into their election platform.

And the flimsy excuses for the increases! Ald. Joe Bourque, who opposed the raise, gave the most sensible reason for the stand he took: "To put something back into the community on which we draw." He, and the other two — Mary Casilio and Maurice Johnson — were really voices crying in the wilderness.

They are the kind of people we need in public office. It's a great pity that the ordinary taxpayer has to wait so long to voice his disgust in a tangible way. I

'Tighten the Screws' Ex-Mandarin Jumps Late into Inflation Fray

TORONTO STAR

An Editorial

Simon Reisman, who spent 29 years in the civil service, thinks he has finally found the root cause of Canada's economic problems. It's his former boss, the federal government.

Canada's inflation, the former deputy finance minister told a Toronto audience the other day, can't be blamed on big business or big labor. No, he says, the basic problems were caused by government spending and easy money.

The cure then, in his view, is to apply tight money and to curtail government deficits. And if in the short term this means "uncomfortable" high interest rates, well, tough.

Tight money and high interest rates were precisely the outdated prescription the government used to fight the inflation of 1969-70. At the time Reisman, as secretary of the Treasury Board, presided over government spending and later as deputy minister of finance oversaw government economic policy.

Tight money and record interest rates (for the time) pushed the country into a 1971

unemployment rate of 6.4 per cent, the highest since the depression. As for killing inflation, price rises merely settled down a bit and then came back stronger than at any time in Canadian history.

You'd think anyone who'd presided over the experience would figure out that tight money and high interest rates are not an effective prescription for modern inflation. Instead super-tough Reisman, a plodding heavyweight boxer taking punches, wants to come back for more.

During his Ottawa days Reisman had an unmatched reputation for effective brawling in bureaucratic infighting. You have to wonder what he was doing to object all those years when government was figuring out more ways to spend money and rack up those evil deficits.

Notable among those programs was a super-generous pension plan for senior civil servants. This plan allowed Reisman to take early retirement a year ago at age 55, at a pension of \$30,000 a

year indexed to go up for inflation. The plan is so expensive no private company could afford to match it.

Reisman's main attack was on Prime Minister Trudeau for being a Peter-comes-lately disciple of former Harvard economist John Kenneth Galbraith. Galbraith's principal thesis is that the modern market system doesn't work sufficiently to restrain powerful companies and unions. So he argues for some form of permanent controls to regulate their behavior.

Reisman disagrees that anything is fundamentally wrong with the market system. Nonetheless he acknowledges that he urged a system of controls on the government a year ago, to help fight inflation. However his system would have been different and he would have had them last only a short time rather than the three years planned by Trudeau.

It's hard to see how Reisman can tell people to rely on the market system on one hand and on the other urge controls.



REISMAN... some contradictions

But it is an expensive lesson of what happens to government revenues when the country falls into a bad recession.

Anyone who wants to see a really worrisome deficit can do so if Ottawa listens to Reisman's siren call of tight money and high interest rates.

That deficit could hardly be held responsible for the inflation that began two years earlier.

1975 unemployment rate of 7.2 per cent. Tightening the screws more would mean even lower tax revenues and an even greater deficit — and even worse human hardship.

Reisman says inflation should not be fought at the expense of the poor. Canadians who agree will avoid his harsh prescriptions.

THE SUN

An Editorial

Ronald Andrews, mayor of North Vancouver District and chairman of the Greater Vancouver Regional District, has accepted for "two or three years" free use of a Bowen Island cottage owned by a company planning a rather massive Bowen Island commercial development for which it needs GVRD approval.

so much as what the public can perceive it to be.

On at least two occasions, Union Steamships has come before the GVRD on Bowen Island business. Discussion has gone on. Communications have taken place between board members and GVRD staff. At least one vote has been held.

And the minutes record that at one of these company appearances, Mayor Andrews appointed the GVRD board members who would preside at a public hearing on island planning.

Why, when he was accepting a rent-free cottage from the company, did he not sit out the business touching upon the company's activities?

This would have been the proper course. By not following it, he has brought into question the integrity of the Bowen Island planning procedures, a situation which clearly needs correcting.

First, Mayor Andrews should publicly declare his conflict of interest and refrain from any future participation in planning talk at the GVRD board involving this possible development.

Second, the GVRD board should feel obliged to take special measures to assure island property-owners that it comes pristinely to the business of deciding on island development. It should — making clear that no aspirations are cast upon those appointed board members who did preside at the public hearing — hold the hearing again and itself designate which board members will preside.

Third, the provincial government should look at its conflict of interest legislation.

The Public Officials and

Employees Disclosure Act, and

see if it can close the Andrews gap.

'Just Politics in the American Way'

THE NATION

An Editorial

The offices of the first political party to nominate a presidential candidate for the elections of 1976 have been repeatedly broken into and ransacked by agents of the United States government. What have we here — another Watergate?

The truth is different but in many ways even worse than the famous burglary that was the undoing of Richard Nixon. The political party is the Socialist Workers, a small, peaceful, Trotskyite group which tries to advance its cause by running candidates in as many elections as possible. (The candidate for president this year is Peter Camejo.) No threats, no bombs, just politics in the American way. The government agents who did the dirty work were no group of amateur gumshoes assembled

for a political "caper" but the investigative arm of the federal government, the FBI.

As for the number of times the FBI broke into the offices of this Socialist group and photographed some 10,000 documents — it reached the incredible figure of nine years from 1960 to 1966. That is, on an average of once every three weeks the FBI broke, entered, browsed and copied.

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All this came out because of a suit brought by the Socialist Workers (who naturally knew what was going on, even if they could not prove the identity of their harassers). Finally, some documents were forced from the reluctant federal government and the appalling story has begun to spill out.

BOARDROOM POSSE

THE GLOBE AND MAIL

An Editorial

So that they may more easily pass through picket lines in the event of labor trouble — one of the most preposterous propositions to have been made in a long, long time — the president and a posse of 12 vice-presidents of Canadian National Railways have been sworn in as constables, and some are reported to have been issued with guns.

The theory is based apparently on the assumption that a striker will shrink before the display of the president's police badge, as Count Dracula might if confronted with a cross. And if he doesn't — well,

there's always the gun to clear a path.

Why did they make the top brass constables? You would have thought the president would rate a chief constable rank; his vice-presidents at least chief inspector. But then they have not been through an instruction course in criminal law or even the federal Railway Act, which would outline their powers of arrest.

The situation presents a number of intriguing facets, including the most expensive plain clothes in the whole world. Now, if they could do something to remedy that...

For one thing, the government at a very high level lied about its involvement. The Department of Justice declared officially that federal agents had not engaged in burglaries of the Socialist Workers offices. For another, there is the stupid and indecent rationale of the FBI itself for this kind of outrageous action (not specifically the one aimed at the Socialist Workers).

FBI Director Clarence M. Kelley, admitting publicly last summer that his agency had been busy with what he nastily chose to call "surreptitious entries" (the could have added "habitual"), after the first dozen or so, declared that he noted no "gross abuse of authority" in these break-ins and denied that they amounted to "a corruption of the trust that was placed in us." Their only purpose, said the man who sits at J. Edgar Hoover's desk, was to obtain "information relative to the security of the nation" and he called the data the G-men gathered "paramount in the protection of the country."

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That nonsense was uttered by the FBI's chief a few months ago. Now, after long and costly legal action, we know that this "paramount" stuff consisted of papers stolen from a small, mild and perfectly legal political party.

Ten years later, the FBI admits that the Socialist Workers party is "a nonviolent Marxist organization committed to running candidates for public office," in the words of The New York Times story. But, the paper adds, FBI officials "have defended their attempts to disrupt the party on the ground that there was no assurance that its members might not one day embrace violence" (our emphasis).

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The pattern of provocation and harassment of all unorthodoxies by the agents of the FBI is now well known. The political stupidity that lay behind this long series of illegalities is equally clear. Not yet known is what the government, executive and legislative branches both, is going to do to make this sort of thing unthinkable in the future.

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Giant Planet Theory Gains Support of U.S. Astronomer

VANCOUVER (CP) — New evidence compiled by a U.S. astronomer is a promising development of the theory that a giant planet blew up between Mars and Jupiter about 16 million years ago, says Dr. Michael Ovenden.

Dr. Ovenden, a University of British Columbia professor of geophysics and astronomy, first found evidence for the existence of the planet in 1972.

He found then that calculations of the orbits and masses of existing planets showed a massive planet once existed between Mars and Jupiter.

Dr. Thomas Van Flandern, an astronomer at the United States Naval Observatory, told a meeting of the American Geophysical Union in Washington, D.C., that he has traced back the paths of 60 comets with long orbits and found that nearly all intersected at a point in the asteroid belt. He said the evi-

dence strikingly confirms Dr. Ovenden's theory of a lost planet 90 times the size of Earth.

"Taken in conjunction with the already existing evidence, these new results leave little room to doubt that a Saturn-sized planet did exist . . . and then violently exploded," said Dr. Van Flandern.

Dr. Ovenden said he currently is interested in several questions raised by and related to his theory of the planet.

He said one of the questions was why a planet with such a large mass would explode, and added that he thought the answer might lie in the planet's structure.

Dr. Ovenden said he also is interested in the outer satellites of Jupiter, some of which orbit in the wrong direction.

He said it generally is supposed these satellites are captured asteroids but added:

"Jupiter increased its mass

sometime in the past — I

think that's part of the lost planet.

"You can never prove anything that happened in the

past. It's all circumstantial evidence, but it looks rather promising right now," he said.

Canadians Honor Fishing Terms

OLYMPIA (AP) — Canadian trollers are apparently living up to an agreement not to fish Washington waters until May 1, a state fisheries department spokesman says.

Arthur Martin said observers in aircraft flew over the Washington trolling areas late last week and reported no ships spotted.

The agreement was worked out by department director Don Moos and Canadian authorities last week after Moos issued an order delaying from April 15 to May 1 the opening of the trolling season for Washington fishermen.

Washington trollers have complained Canadians will

fish the area out during the April 15-May 1 period.

The trollers will be in court late this week to challenge the Moos regulations. Their strongest objection is to a two-week closure of the season beginning June 15.

Bob Navare, president of the Northwest Trollers Association, said that about 25 to 30 per cent of the trollers' catch comes during that period and closure will mean economic doom for many of the season.

Moos said the shortening of the season and two-week closure are necessary to protect immature salmon and that the regulation is a conservation move.

PACIFIC PRESS TALKS STALLED

VANCOUVER (CP) — Labor negotiations between Pacific Press Ltd. and seven unions have been stalled because a joint union council is not able to attend the talks, a company spokesman says.

Dave Stinson said the company, which prints the evening Sun and morning Province newspapers, was informed last week by provincial mediator Charles Stewart that the joint council of newspaper unions will not be available for further talks until April 28.

Stinson said the company met Tuesday with the Graphic Arts International Union, representing the photoengravers, but could do nothing until that union's jurisdictional problems with the joint council have been settled.

The Graphic Arts Union left the joint council last week after a dispute about making printing plates. The dispute arose as a result of company proposals for introducing technological changes.

Contracts covering about 1,400 employees expired Oct. 31.

Diplomats Bungling Jail Case, Says MP

VANCOUVER (CP) — MP John Reynolds (PC-Burnaby-Richmond-Delta) said Sunday that Canadian embassy officials in Mexico have tried to interfere with a Mexican judge in efforts to free a Canadian man held in the Manzanillo jail.

Victor Fisher, 57, of Delta has been held in jail in the resort city of the west coast of Mexico for more than 180 days. He was arrested after a \$500 cheque went to the wrong bank and was returned to Mexico from a B.C. bank marked NSF.

Reynolds said Fisher's lawyer told him Canadian embassy officials are handling

the situation improperly and have approached the judge in the case.



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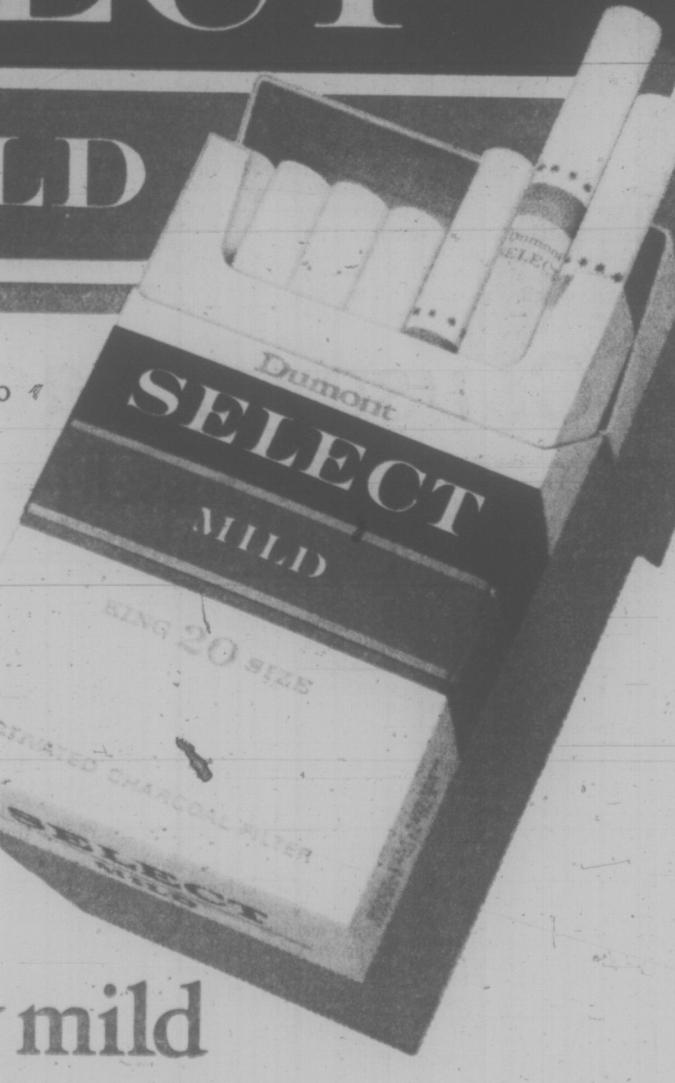


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MAYOR'S BOAT SANK

SURREY (CP) — Mayor Ed McKitka, whose boat sank Saturday near Saturna Island, said Sunday that British Columbia waters are not safe because of debris, "and all sorts of junk."

McKitka spent the night at East Point lighthouse near where his \$40,000 pleasure craft Lucky Louie sank Saturday night near Saturna Island.

"The harbors board is going to hear from me. All kinds of boaters are having trouble. It has got to stop."

The mayor said he and his wife, Norma, set out Saturday "to get away for a couple of days" but the vessel struck a floating log "about 24 inches thick and 30 feet long" about a half mile from the lighthouse.

"She must have sank in about eight minutes. Have you ever tried to load important gear in a skiff, with waves around you five or six feet high, with a wife who can't swim?"



EMERGENCY DENTAL equipment worth \$3,500 has been presented by women's auxiliary to Victoria General Hospital. Board chairman Doug Watts playfully tests gear on auxiliary president Sally Rogers. (John McKay photo)

Environment Issues Seen Vital to Motel Owners

The tourist industry—particularly motel owners—should take a more active interest in environmental issues, Bob Dickhout, president of the Thetis Park Nature Sanctuary Association, told members at a recent meeting.

"The motels have a vested interest in the proper use of our natural resources," he said. "It is in their interest to have large parks and greenbelts along rivers and the sea-coast near urban areas."

Dickhout, an entomologist with the plant protection division of the federal department of agriculture, is leaving Victoria this summer to work at Niagara Falls, Ontario. He was made a life member of the association for his work on behalf of conservation.

He observed one of the reasons more people are acquiring recreational vehicles is

because they seek open space. "Large numbers of people are no longer satisfied spending their holidays on crowded beaches," he said. "Such attractions as golf courses and swimming pools, they have in their own towns and cities."

He said more people would spend their holidays in resort

communities if these centres preserved greenbelts along rivers, lakes and the sea coast.

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Good Friday Rally Fizzles

By AL FORREST
Times Business Editor

As rallies go, the Good Friday effort was pretty much of a dud.

Canadian brokers were hoping the traditional pre-Easter surge would give life to a market that has been sluggish for almost two years. There was a brief Good Friday rally in 1975.

This year trading was fairly brisk but price increases were so small it could hardly be called a rally.

During the week, the Toronto Stock Exchange industrial index rose 1.25 points to close at 189.49. The Dow Jones was a little more volatile, closing at 980.48, up 12.20 on the week. But it was hardly a crest. The index of New York blue chip stocks has already been over 1,000 this year.

In Toronto prices moved up at a snail's pace during the four days preceding Good Friday. On Monday the industrial index rose 0.34. This was followed by increases of 0.20 on Tuesday, 0.14 on Wednesday and 0.57 on Thursday. The

only good news was the increase in volumes from 1.92 million shares on Monday to 2.03 million Tuesday, 2.34 million Wednesday and 2.21 million Thursday.

Dome Petroleum created a stir of its own with the announcement drilling will be permitted in the Beaufort Sea. On Thursday the stock closed at \$35.75, up almost \$2 on the day.

At the same time, some large stock holdings were unloaded, including a block of 46,000 shares of Canadian Pacific Investments at \$18.75.

Meanwhile, in New York, there was the expected peak of heavy trading Wednesday but blue chip stocks fell rather than rose.

The pre-Easter trading pattern was: Monday 16.05 million shares traded and the DJ index rose 2.99 points. Tuesday 15.99 million shares traded and the index rose 12.99. Wednesday sales soared to

18.44 million shares but the index fell 9.61. Thursday was relatively quiet at 15.10 million shares and the Dow Jones edged up by 5.83 points.

The upward thrust in New York, such as it was, reflected the favorable first quarter earnings being announced by various companies during the week. This news proved to be insufficient, however, to sustain a rally.

In Canada there was never any prospect of prices taking off as the enthusiasm to sell matched the enthusiasm to buy at all times.

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ATLANTA (AP) — Scientists at the Centre for Disease Control say federal employees and prisoners in Texas who will be given first inoculations of swine flu vaccine starting this week are in no danger of contracting the disease because the vaccine contains a dead virus.

The vaccine was developed to combat an anticipated out-

break of swine flu in the United States this year after the strain surfaced in January at Fort Dix, N.J.

Scientists suspect a swine-type flu similar to the anticipated strain, may have caused a worldwide epidemic in 1918-19.

Dr. Michael Gregg, director of viral diseases for the Centre for Disease Control,

said that when a live virus, such as that for immunization against polio, is used in a vaccine, "there is a remote chance" persons inoculated may show symptoms compatible to the disease.

"But the new swine flu vaccine will be a dead virus," Gregg said in an interview.

Officials of the Food and Drug Administration in Wash-

ington said the agency has received 24,000 vials of the vaccine in three dosage strengths from four drug companies.

An appropriations bill signed Thursday by President Ford includes \$135 million for enough vaccine to immunize the entire population of the United States — about 213 million people.

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THE MALL: ANTISEPTIC AND BORING

Concept and Reality Fail to Meet

By PAUL MOSS

(A commentary by The Times City Hall reporter.)

Few cliches on the urban planning scene in Canada are more overworked than "people-oriented."

Any developer with an ounce of awareness knows he can improve his proposal's chances of acceptance if he lobbies in a few plazas, court yards and the like to convince the municipal council that the development will be a "delightful people place."

This, too, was the rationale for Victoria's Government Street Mall (to give it its full pretentious title). But last week it surely became obvious, if it wasn't obvious already, that there's an enormous difference between the concept and the reality.

The concept, as outlined in the florid prose of the planners, sounded just great. Remember that consultant's report back in August of 1973?

"The mall is envisioned as a pleasant composition of activities and materials organized in an efficient manner but which encourages spontaneity — color, movement and variety in a sequence of open, plaza-like spaces."

"It will support a lively group atmosphere where people can gather together to look at, listen to or be a part of a group activity — all in an historic setting."

"Commercial connectors should serve to direct the shopper between these nodes of activity and to form the major pedestrian pathway through the mall. While this pathway is physically continuous, it will need to be broken by points of visual interest — sculpture, street furniture, outdoor restaurants, markets, stalls, displays..."

Conjures up a cheerful urban vista, wouldn't you agree? Full of color and North American hustle and bustle, but with a dash of civilized European flavor?

But what do Victorians actually have for their money? (estimated cost \$360,000, of which \$775,000 has been spent to date?)

In a word, dullsville. only is the five-block-long "mall" between Humboldt and Yates not a mall at all, in the true sense of the term — even city aldermen now refer to it in a shamefaced sort of way, as a "sidewalk beautification" project, but it has about as much "visual interest," warmth and variety as a Safeway parking lot.

Tiled sidewalk, planters, lamp standards and banners march away in grimly determined, clinical perspective. It's clean. It's symmetrical. It's frightfully boring.

Last week, however, a proposal came before council's roads committee for something to break the monotony.

Brand's Restaurant, 1009 Government, sought permission to place four tables on the sidewalk outside its premises, beneath a large awning. As the firm's architect explained, the intention was to create a "sheltered" and cheery atmosphere for diners and shoppers.

A reasonable enough proposal, one would think, considering the aforementioned report and its vision of "lively group atmosphere," "nodes of activity" and all the rest.

But our myopic, sensitive worthies were quite scandalized, shaken to the very core, as if it were some shady outfit from London's Soho district trying to set up a feely

peepshow booth right there on the precious mall.

With the exception of committee chairman Ald. John Hayes, who was all for granting approval on a trial basis, aldermen vehemently rejected the notion. And their recommendation is virtually certain to be endorsed by this week's full council meeting.

Why?

Well, it's the old opening-the-floodgates obsession which haunts our elected representatives. Whatever happens, friends, we must be careful never, but never, to set a precedent. Give 'em 234 centimetres and they'll take an ell's worth of metric equivalent.

Heavens, if one restaurant is allowed to serve meals to patrons on the sidewalk, who knows what chaos will follow?

Next thing you know we'll be picking our way through an obstacle course of barrows, stalls and baskets of produce.

beset by yelling hawkers. An instant Calcutta in downtown Victoria.

Hayes suggested a simple solution, restricting the sidewalk encroachment privilege to a few restaurants and cafes. But he might as well have saved his breath.

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The pity is that no one thought to inquire about the city of Vancouver's experience with the Granville Street Mall. Four or five restaurants, mostly in the 800 and 900 blocks, were allowed to extend their business on to the mall last summer, and they'll be doing so again this summer.

A spokesman for the city's social planning department says there have been no problems at all. The firms are charged a rental fee for encroaching on city property, and the city stipulates that

disposable utensils — no glassware — have to be used.

The outdoor cafeteria area has to be separated from the main pedestrian thoroughfare by a portable grille, planter or similar partition. "The only hassle was meeting the design standards of the city engineer," said the official.

Apart from this exemption to the general rule, the only other entrepreneurs allowed to ply their open-air trade on Granville are the licensed hawkers.

But what's good enough for Vancouver obviously isn't good enough for Victoria.

Hayes, who accused his council colleagues of perpetuating a "sterility complex" with regard to civic improvement schemes, lamented: "I really question why the hell we ever built the mall in the first place if it's not going to be used."

At least some citizens must be wondering the same thing.

Ferry Bid Dropped

Provincial Transport Minister Jack Davis will have only one bid for the Princess Marguerite in front of him when he returns to his desk Tuesday after the Easter holiday.

A spokesman for a second group, a syndicate of Victoria merchants, interested in the government vessel said today he won't make a countering offer.

Suspicious Manager Tracks Stolen Money

A lunch paid off over the weekend for Lawrie Smith, manager of Royal Oak Sporting Goods, 4450 West Saanich.

Arriving at work early Sunday, Smith discovered a cash box containing about \$1,700 in cash and cheques had been stolen from a back room.

He said today he reasoned, whoever took the money must

have known the procedures of the store and he supplied Saanich police with a list of names of possible suspects.

Police went to one home and, sure enough, there was a knapsack.

Three juveniles have been arrested and are expected to appear in family court later this week charged with breaking and entering and theft.

Davis has indicated the government is willing to sell the Marguerite if the offer is high enough. He did not indicate his asking price.

Meanwhile, there have been inquiries about the Marguerite from large luxury liner companies but no formal offers.

Mr. Packard estimated the loss at close to \$2,000 but said the three works formed part of her personal collection and that none of them was for sale.

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Thieves Take Statuettes From Artist

Three valuable statuettes were stolen overnight from the home of sculptor Peggi Packard.

Saanich police said thieves entered the garden behind Mrs. Packard's residence at 1885 Lansdowne and carted off a kneeling nude female figure weighing 100 pounds and made of terracotta with a simulated bronze finish.

Thieves also took a three-foot high terracotta and bronze figure of a young man with a dog and a 20-inch tall concrete figure of a young man standing on a rock. Both sculptures were being stored in a workshop beside the house.

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BODY SHOPS Consumers Find GOING UNDER Prices No Joke

By AL FORREST
Times Staff

Some Victoria car body repair shops could be out of business within six months unless more customers show up or the provincial government increases cost allowances, spokesmen for the industry say.

"Business has fallen off drastically since March 1," said Brian Tapp, Vancouver Island director of the Automobile Retailers' Association.

"Unless there are changes, it is possible we could see some business failures in the next six months."

There are a number of reasons for the slack business in the repair shops, he said.

"Many drivers have not taken out any collision insurance because it is too expensive for them. They just abandon their cars if they are smashed."

There are fewer cars on the road — and more parked in the driveway or in the back yard. Male drivers under 25 in particular are scarce because they have either sold

their cars or left them in the driveway. At one repair shop all four male drivers under 25 have quit driving, cars since March 1.

With the deductible raised to \$100 (minimum) from \$50, and with many drivers holding a \$200 deductible, there are hundreds of motorists driving with minor dents rather than having them repaired. Only severe bumps that cause extensive damage are being considered worthy of repair.

As a result, said Tapp, there is a decline in the number of cars being repaired. They are either parked at home, sent to the junkyard or abandoned at the side of the road.

With the ICBC policy already established, there is little the body shops can do except try to weather the storm and campaign for what the industry feels is a more just level of payments from the Crown corporation.

For example, said Tapp, ICBC pays the body shops \$18.50 an hour to fix dents but allows mechanics an average of \$22 an hour to repair motors damaged in a collision.

But mechanics and body shop men are both paid about the same.

He said most Victoria body shops should be able to survive, even with the drop in business, if payments from ICBC were increased.

Roger Dunsmaul, president of the Automotive Retailers' Association for the Victoria area, said there have been dramatic examples of the changed insurance patterns since March 1.

One Sidney company reported it towed in seven damaged cars recently and five of them had no collision insurance. One of the five was a new car, he said.

Before March 1 collision coverage was compulsory.

It was not known if any of the five owners had decided whether to have their cars repaired.

Towing companies were also reporting a sharp drop in business since March 1. One company that was towing as many as 60 cars a week is down to about five a week since the insurance rates increased.

Another Victorian reported an insurance boost to \$40 from \$25.

One of the angriest men in Victoria was the one who paid \$8.45 for a lawnmower blade.

When he got it home he discovered there was a price label underneath that read \$1.75. And underneath that

was yet another price label reading \$3.29.

The shopkeeper explained he purchased the blades last fall from another retailer who had been charging \$3.29. His own price was \$4.75 which went to \$8.45 in the lawnmower season. The customer said he heck with it and went elsewhere, buying the identical product at \$6.25.

Price increases have been particularly sharp among *other* products. One prescription drug selling for \$2.15 in March went to \$2.65 on April 1. A drug for diabetes went to \$14.75 from \$13.67 while another drug hit \$7.59 from \$6.95 and yet another one went to \$3.35 from \$4.55.

Another prescription drug sold for \$7.99 on March 19, \$11.24 on March 29 and \$12.06 in April.

Lemon pie was selling for \$1.60 in December but went to \$2.50 in April.

Tobacco products went up by more than the four-cent-a-pack tax increase in several cases.

Milady's haircut had been \$10 a visit but went up to \$15 on April 1. Also on the first of April, a garbage collection service increased its rate to \$18 from \$12 and a municipal dumping charge went to 85 cents from 50 cents for a cubic yard.

One resident asked the federal government to investigate itself, pointing out that the charge for passports rose to \$12 from \$10. That was on April 1, too.

Chapman said all the complaints would be passed along to Ottawa without comment. The hotline at 388-3711 receives complaints from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday and reports them all to the AIB, even those outside the board's terms of reference.

"The powers of the board are expanding and some of these other problems may soon be of interest to the board. We will continue to give Ottawa all the information we have."

Since April 1 there were 40 price complaints, nine questions on wages, five on rents, two on profits, one on dividends and 22 miscellaneous enquiries.



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You can't catch trout in a bird bath

WE PLANNED A FISHING picnic for last Sunday. It would be the first of the year, a salute to spring, and we meant it to be a good one.

I put together a couple of Haig-Brown backpack fly imitations, flies which no April trout should be able to resist. Since we contemplated a long, full day, Win decided that four hard-boiled eggs in our lunch would be better than a new one.

Then we took a look at the weather, which was soft and still, and went to bed in anticipation of a great day.

Sometime in the night, it began to rain. Not a shower, not a drizzle, but a sluicing downpour from a cloud-packet that revealed no signs of a break.

"It might clear up," I said, against the dismal evidence. "We could go fishing any-

way," Win said. "But it wouldn't be much of a picnic."

We stood looking out glumly at the rain coming down harder than ever, no point in linger-

"I've been thinking," Win said as we tramped back to our car. "While you're getting the seeds, I'm going to look at the seeds."

The rain had been abated by a nasty little wind. "In this lousy climate," I muttered. "Who needs a bird bath?"

We arrived at the nursery, I left Win to inspect the bird baths, which sat brimming with rainwater, and went off to choose seeds for our vegetable plot.

Others had put in the same errand. I fell into conversation with a fellow on the other side of a resolving seed rack.

"You ready to turn?" he asked.

I grabbed a floridly-illu-

minated pack of radish seed and spun the rack.

"See any Little Marvel dwarf peas?" I asked.

"You'd do better to buy 'em in bulk," the voice on the other side of the rack advised. "Same with carrot seed."

That made sense. Who wants to run out of seed in the middle of spring planting?

I was unloading my choices on the cashier's counter when Win came in from checking on bird baths. She looked at my generous bag of peas, the plump sack of carrot seed and the pound of beans. Then she asked a question.

"Where are you going to plant them all?"

Our vegetable plot is about 30 feet long by 12 wide, every inch of it won by hard labor from the rock-cobbled foreground. I abandoned my fantasy of row upon row of carrots and Little Marvel peas, and bowed to reality by settling for seed packages from the rack.

Then we loaded the bird bath into the car, crowding the fishing gear aside to make room for it, and went off to eat our hard-boiled eggs and sandwiches by another creek mouth.

The rain danced on the car roof. The wind blew. We saw no trout

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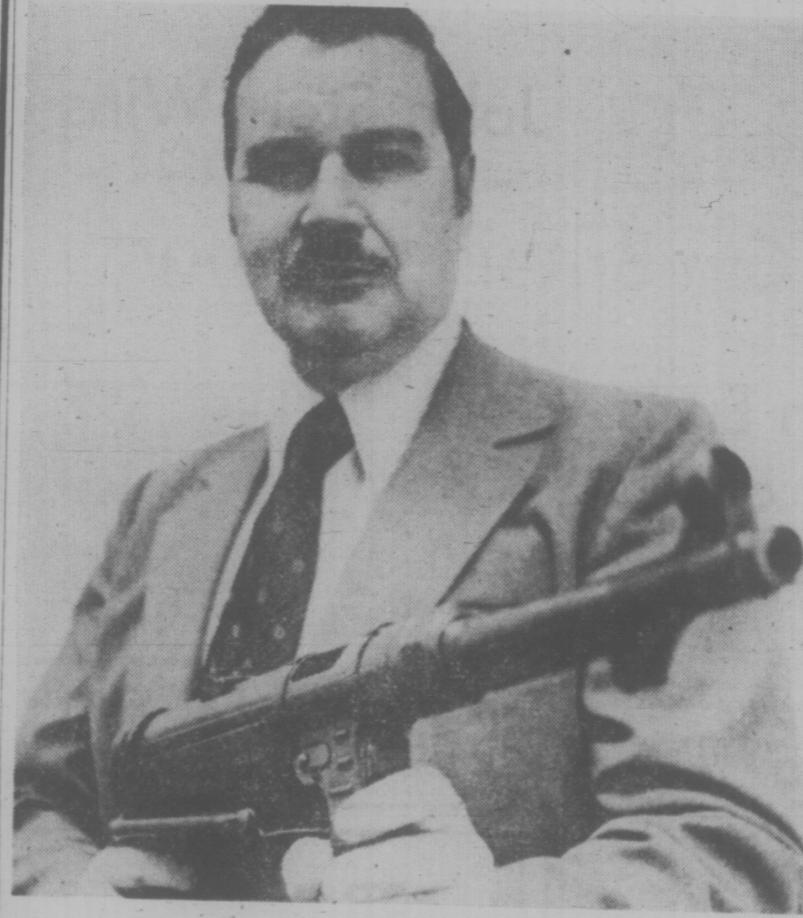
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TUNING IN TO HIS OWN PAST

KITCHENER, Ont. (CP) — Robert Bosseberry, 42, doesn't need reminders that he is the third generation of piano tuners in this community but he keeps finding them.

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"Pianos are costly and people who own them keep them tuned to protect their investment, regardless of the age of the piano."

Mr. Bosseberry recalled stories his father told him of canvassing homes to drum up business.

"My father used to accompany my grandfather on the rounds. They literally had to go from door to door the way knife-sharpeners do in some communities. Today I can scarcely keep up with the telephone calls."

In addition to keeping up

with requests to tune pianos in homes, Mr. Bosseberry makes the rounds of schools and universities in the area.

He is also on call for pre-concert piano tunings in Kitchener, Waterloo and Guelph.

"Top-calibre artists insist on tuning immediately before their concerts," he said.

Tuning is a painstaking operation requiring hours of concentrated effort. Five pianos is the daily average.

Besides the know-how, a sharp ear is required and the piano tuner inherited his. His father played the cornet in Kitchener-area bands. An

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Czechs Clinch Crown

KATOWICE, Poland (AP) — Forward Steve Jensen of the National Hockey League's Minnesota North Stars scored once and had an assist to help the United States defeat West Germany 5-1 Sunday at the world hockey championship.

In the other game Sunday, East Germany edged Finland 2-1. Jeff Hymanson, a U.S.

Olympic team member, Mike Eaves and Jensen helped the U.S. squad open a 3-0 lead before West Germany got on the scoreboard. Dave Langvin and Craig Sarner closed out the American scoring.

The U.S. team was assessed 30 minutes in penalties during the game—including four two-minute penalties in the first period to Jensen's NHL team-

mate, Lou Nanre, and 10 minutes in the second period to Gary Ross while West Germany picked up only 10 penalty minutes.

Czechoslovakia clinched first place in the tournament Saturday with a 3-2 victory over the defending champion Soviet Union.

The Czechs ran their record to 6-0 in the eight-country

round-robin competition. The Russian squad, weakened by the loss earlier in the tournament of Alexander Maltsev and Sergei Kapustin, were in second place with a 4-2 mark after losing their championship opener to Poland, 6-4.

The Poles and Finland battled to a 3-3 tie in another game Saturday.

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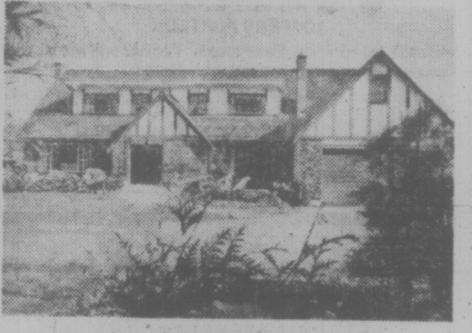
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Nina Captures Under-18 Title

Kelly Davies of the host club put on quite a battle before bowing 6-4, 6-3 to Jill Andre of Seattle in the under-18 girls' singles final at the second annual Island indoor junior tennis tournament.

Miss Davies and Miss Andre played for two and a half hours before the issue was decided.

Nina Blythe emerged as the blonde winner in the tournament which is scheduled to conclude today.

Miss Blythe defeated her younger sister Jennifer 6-4, 6-1 in the under-18 girls' singles final.

In the under-14 girls' final, Terri Agee of Everett, the number-two seed for this age bracket in the Pacific Northwest, defeated Lynn

John Storr Wins

SEATTLE — John Storr led a strong showing by Victoria Motor Sports Club drivers during the second International Conference of Sports Car Clubs-sanctioned race here at the weekend.

Storr, driving a Brabham BT-29, finished first in the Formula Atlantic class and first overall out of a 20-car field during the all-formula event Sunday. Clubmate Gordon Munroe placed second in class and second overall with the same type of machine.

In the race for production sports cars, Bob Slater finished second in "G" production in his MG Midget and John Kendrew was second in "F" sports racing with his Cooper "S".

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 Dallas 1, Washington 0.
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DOUG PEDEN - EDITOR

Hurry-Up Canadiens Must Wait

By The Canadian Press

Montreal Canadiens will have to sit around for a week or more waiting for the next round of the Stanley Cup playoffs.

The Canadiens disposed of Chicago Black Hawks 4-2 over the weekend, defeating them 4-1 Sunday to complete a four-game sweep of their best-of-seven National Hockey League quarter-final.

But the other three playoffs were thrown into confusion by the weekend activity. Saturday night victories by New York Islanders, Toronto Maple Leafs and Boston Bruins forced each quarter-final to go at least six games, meaning the Canadiens won't possibly have an opponent before next weekend.

The Islanders downed Buffalo Sabres 4-2, the Leafs surprised Philadelphia Flyers 4-3 and the Bruins blanked Los Angeles Kings 3-0. The series continue Tuesday in Buffalo, Philadelphia and Boston.

Montreal coach Scotty Bowman said the Hawks, who had the worst regular-season record of any team in the quarter-final pool, played well in the last three games of the series, but the outcome was never really in doubt.

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"Our game is to take the body and we must do that in order to win," he said. "We will be taking the body as much as ever. We want to win."

Chicago managed only three goals in the four games. Montreal's strong defence, backed up by goalie Ken Dryden, was never really tested. Still, Bowman was gracious in victory.

"Anytime you eliminate another team in four games, you've got to be a little lucky," he said. "The Hawks were a very much under-rated team."

"Many people wrote them off. We really had to bust our tails to win the last three games."

Chicago coach Billy Reay said his team played well for 2½ periods, but missed too many chances.

Centre Peter Mahovlich lifted a lazy backhander past Chicago goaltender Tony Esposito early in the second period to break a 1-1 tie. Guy Lafleur, Serge Savard and Doug Jarvis were the other Montreal scorers. Cliff Koroll scored for Chicago.

Denis Potvin, who led NHL defencemen in scoring during the regular season, generated

an offence on the power play for the Islanders, something he says he must do if New York is to beat the high-scoring Sabres.

"We really have to rush them and make our power plays count," he said. "That's what is going to turn the game around for us."

Buffalo general manager Punch Imlach, who had watched his team blow a 2-0 series lead at Uniondale, N.Y., said he wouldn't start to worry unless the Islanders win Tuesday.

"I never expected four straight," said Imlach. "I would take it but there was no way I expected it."

Toronto defenceman Borje Salming, who took a beating in Thursday's brawling third game with the Flyers, was back to play 40 minutes brilliantly Saturday, controlling the game when he was on the ice, blocking shots and putting the Leafs in front to stay late in the second period.

Salming, who was celebrating his 25th birthday, broke a 1-1 tie when he beat Philadelphia goalie Bernie Parent with a wrist shot. The Flyers were not their usual bellwether selves and Salming thought he knew why.

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Trap Trouble For the Pro

Form is excellent as Don Billsborough makes delicate trap shot Sunday during first-round matches in Vancouver Island Open at Victoria Golf Club. Finesse by Uplands professional wasn't quite enough in contest against amateur Cec Ferguson, former champion who stroked way to 3-and-2 triumph. See story and results on page 15. (Irving Strickland photo)

Quebec Squeezed Out By Cowboys' Defence

By The Canadian Press

Shots on goal really don't mean much in a hockey game.

Quebec Nordiques outshot Calgary Cowboys by a comfortable margin Sunday night but the Cowboys emerged with a 6-4 win that moved them into the next round of the World Hockey Association playoffs.

The Nordiques outshot the Cowboys 41-28, but most of Quebec's shots were from long range. Harry Howell, filling in for Joe Crozier, the suspended Calgary coach, said the Cowboys' defence made the difference.

"The Nordiques usually take the puck in, but tonight they couldn't penetrate our defence, so they had to take long shots," he said. "We felt that if we came into the third period even, we'd get them."

Second-place Quebec finished 16 points ahead of Calgary during the regular season, but Sunday's win gave the Cowboys a 4-1 edge in their best-of-seven Canadian Division semi-final.

Miss Clarkson, 20, took three games to win her first national crown, defeating Jane Youngberg of White Rock, B.C., 3-1, 3-1, 11-4. Mrs. Youngberg, a former national champion, was tops in Sunday's event.

The day was not a total loss for Mrs. Youngberg, who teamed with Sherri Boyce of Calgary to win the ladies' doubles crown. It was Mrs. Youngberg's third straight win.

They outdueled Lesley Dennis of Quebec City 15-11, 13-10 in the final.

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Bruins Apply Stranglehold

Murray Bannerman has the New Westminster attackers talking to themselves, but that hasn't stopped the Bruins from taking a stranglehold on their Western Canada Hockey League semi-final series with Victoria Cougars.

Bannerman, the Victoria goaltender, has become the individual standout in a series that New Westminster virtually locked up Sunday night with a 3-1 victory before a sellout crowd of 4,084 fans in Queen's Park Arena.

The triumph, and coming on the heels of Saturday's 2-2 draw before 3,508 fans in Victoria's Memorial Arena, gives New Westminster the fifth, if necessary, to a second straight year.

The defending champions need only another tie to advance to the league final for a second straight year.

The fourth game will be played Tuesday in the PNE Coliseum in Vancouver and the fifth, if necessary, in Memorial Arena on Wednesday.

With Bannerman on hand, the Cougars still have hope. Their chances will be better, however, if Victoria can start scoring goals.

Beaten 3-1 and 4-1 in the series' first two games, the Cougars have been suffering on attack. With only five goals in four games, they're well below their average of five goals per game during the regular season.

Both coaches — Ernie McLean of New Westminster and Victoria's Pat Ginnell — praised Bannerman's work at the weekend. He made 40 stops Sunday and was named the game's first star for keeping Cougars in the game until Stan Smyl golfed a bouncing puck into an empty net in the final minute of play.

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Cougars' inadequacies on offence were all too obvious in Saturday's game. Centre Mike Will scored both Victoria goals, including the first with a hard shot from the blueline.

But the Cougars didn't get the message from Will's long-shot effort.

Instead of shooting, the Cougars continually tried to stickhandle the puck into the net.

Victoria forwards ignored passing to compound their problems. Of the 37 shots managed by Victoria, only eight came from defencemen who play the points. The forwards just refused to pass to the points, or, in many cases, even to their linemates.

The Cougars have, however, checked strongly. In a series that has been relatively free

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McLean said after Sunday's victory "we need these close-checking games to prepare us for further competition."

Meanwhile, Saskatchewan Blades, last year's finalists, got back on the track with a 12-4 romp past the Chiefs in Kamloops Sunday. Sparked by Bernie Federko's seven-point performance, the Blades deadlocked their semi-final series 4-4.

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The series resumes Tuesday in Saskatoon.

Bucks, 76ers Fall at Home

By The Associated Press

Philadelphia 76ers and Milwaukee Bucks, teams that enjoyed the home-court advantage for the final games of their best-of-three preliminary round National Basketball Association playoffs, may be wondering where that advantage went.

Both teams were eliminated from the NBA playoffs Sunday in the type of games in which the home-court advantage is supposed to be most prominent — close, hard-fought, pressure-packed contests, where everything is on the line.

Both were playing before enthusiastic crowds at their home arenas — and both were beaten.

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Saanich Club Trips Toronto

KAMLOOPS — Torrie Robertson fired four goals to help Saanich Braves to a 9-1 victory here Sunday during play in an international invitational bantam hockey tournament.

Victory kept the Braves alive in the "B" bracket of the 24-team tourney, which is scheduled to wind up Tuesday night.

John Newberry added two Saanich goals and singles were contributed by Robert Jacobson, Phil Varcoe and Daryl Collier.

Edmonton knocked Saanich out of the "B" bracket with a 5-4 decision over the Vancouver Island squad on Friday and Braves bounced Kamloops Jardines 6-3 in a

"B" game Saturday.

Gary Sam had two goals against Edmonton and Newberry set the pace against Kamloops with four goals.

Saite and Swift Current, Sask., joined two Ontario teams in the "A" semi-finals with upset victories Sunday.

Swift Current edged Kelowna 4-3 despite being outshot 44-16, while Swift Current nipped Alberta-champion Edmonton with a come-from-behind 4-2 win.

Peterborough trimmed Surrey 10-1 in an earlier game Sunday, while Sarnia slammed Toronto 10-1 Saturday night.

Sarnia will meet Seattle in one semi-final and Peterborough in games tonight.

Braves Ousted

EDMONTON — Red Deer tripped Saanich Braves 7-6 Sunday after two overtime periods and Swift Current trounced Prince Albert Raiders 7-1 Sunday to advance to the championship final.

Marty Peitler led Braves with two goals and Robert Clavette added a single tally.

STANLEY CUP SUMMARIES

MONTREAL 4, CHICAGO 1
First Period
1. Chicago, Koroll T (Talton, Redmond) 10:30
2. Montreal, Savard 1 (Nyrop) 19:05
Penalties—Chicago C: 1:10, D: 1:10, Marks C: 1:15, Magnuson C, Lambert M 6:08, Risbrough M 9:44, Nyrop 10:18, Jarvis M 17:07, Redmond C 19:05.
Second Period
3. Montreal, Manovich 2 (Shutt, Lapointe) 2:40.
Penalties—Montreal C 1:10, Bouchard M 10:30.
Third Period
4. Montreal, Lafleur 3 (Manovich) 9:50
5. Montreal, Jarvis 2 (Galve, Robitaille) 10:10
Penalty—Wilson M 17:10.
Shots on goal by
Montreal 7 8 11—26
Chicago 12 12 11—35
Goals—Dryden, Montreal; Esposito, Chicago.
Attendance—14,700.

PHILADELPHIA 3, TORONTO 4
First Period
1. Toronto, Thompson (2) (Sittler, Salming) 2:11.
2. Philadelphia, Bridgeman (1) (Lundberg, Mursak) 12:20.
Penalties—Salsick (P) 1:50; Turnour (T) (Schultz) (P) 8:44; Cline (P) 10:30; Dryden (T) 11:29; Garland (T), Dornhoefer (P) 18:16.
Second Period
3. Toronto, Salming (3) (Sittler) 14:10.
4. Toronto, McDonald (4) 18:59.
Philadelphia, Bridgeman (P) 17:59; McIlhargy (P) 17:51; Dornhoefer (P) 17:55.
Third Period
5. Philadelphia, Leach (2) (Kelly) 3:55.
6. Toronto, Ferguson (2) (Garland) 5:57.
Shots on goal by
Philadelphia 8 13 7—28
Toronto 8 9 11—28
Goals—Parent, Philadelphia; Thomas, Toronto.
Attendance—16,485.

BUFFALO 2 N.Y. ISLANDERS 4
First Period
1. N.Y. Islanders, Howatt (3) (Trotter, Gillies) 2:08.
2. Buffalo, Robert (3) (Guvernet, Schoenfeld) (B) 0:19.
Penalties—Schoenfeld (B) 0:19; Marshall (B) 2:22; Howatt (1) (Trotter) 3:57; Gossard (B) 6:22; Hart (1) 7:28; Perret (B) 8:22.
Second Period
3. N.Y. Islanders, Howatt (3) (Hart, Nystrom) 13:00.
4. Buffalo, Robert (3) (Trotter, Gillies) 13:00.
Penalty—Howatt (B) 15:33.
Third Period
5. Buffalo, Gare (4) (Lude, Guvernet) 12:31.
Penalties—Howatt, (1) 7:40; Sogard (B) 7:40.
Shots on goal by
Buffalo 7 10 6—23
N.Y. Islanders 7 10 6—23
Goals—Desardins, Buffalo; Smith, N.Y. Islanders; Attendance—14,685.

BOSTON 3, LOS ANGELES 0
First Period
1. Boston, Sheppard (2), (Ratelle, Bouchard) 1:28.
Penalties—Schmautz (B) 0:52; Park (B) 2:23; Komadossi (L.A.) 9:42; Novak (B) 13:12.
Third Period
2. Boston, Marotte (3) 18:49.
Penalties—Doak (B) 4:28; Goring (L.A.) 5:30.
Shots on goal by:
Boston 11 9 7—27
Los Angeles 11 9 7—27
Goals—Cheevers, Boston; Vachon, Los Angeles. Attendance—16,005.

Wests, Royals Find Success In Exhibitions

Victoria West and Cosmopolitan Royals, who clash in a premier division playoff semi-final match at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Royal Athletic Park, warmed up for the encounter with exhibition victories south of the border at the weekend.

Royals edged San Francisco Glen 2-1 Sunday in the Golden Gate city and Vic West downed Turinverin of Sacramento 8-4 Saturday in Reno, Nev. Vic West seconds blanked Reno, 10-0.

Winner of the semi on Wednesday will play Powell River Villas for the divisional playoff title.

Comox Girls Click

TORONTO—Nimi and Simi Athwal of Comox emerged as the only Vancouver Island winner by taking the under-15 girls' doubles title at the Canadian junior table tennis championships here Sunday.

Gloria Nesukaitis of Toronto won the under-15 singles title by defeating Nimi Athwal.



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Debut by Andy Against Dodgers A Wynn Show

By The Associated Press

Andy Messersmith came back to pitch against Los Angeles Dodgers, but it was Jimmy Wynn who came back to haunt them.

Messersmith, the celebrated free agent who jumped the Dodgers and signed a million-dollar contract with Atlanta Braves, made his 1976 pitching debut Sunday against his former team-mates in a National League doubleheader.

The right-hander, who spent all of spring training trying to hook on with a team, was only used for four innings against the Dodgers and wasn't especially impressive.

But while Messersmith was having control trouble, Wynn—another former Dodger—wound up a three-homer to help the Braves beat Los Angeles 7-6 in 11 innings.

Outfielder Lyman Bostock and rookie catcher Butch Wynegar hit their first major league homers in the ninth inning to beat Yankee ace Jim Catfish Hunter. It was the first loss since opening day for New York.

"I give up a lot of guys' first home runs," Hunter sighed. "I'm used to it. I used to get me mad, but you can do anything about it except try and get the next guy out."

Mike Schmidt hit his fifth homer in two games and pitcher Larry Christensen and catcher Bob Boone each doubled home two runs, leading Philadelphia over Chicago.

Schmidt, who became the first National Leaguer in modern history to hit four successive homers when he did it in his last four at-bats Saturday, struck out and fouled out twice Sunday before up-loading a two-run homer in the seventh inning.

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Parker's Putting Touch Puts Heat on Golf Rival

By ERNIE FEDORUK
Times Staff

Among the first-round performers in the Vancouver Island Open golf tournament Sunday were some who had a comparatively easy time and some who had their problems.

Most of the losers and even some of the winners had Mike Parker's putting touch on the Victoria Golf Club greens.

Recently top-dressed, the greens provided some problems at times, but not for Parker, one of professional Paul Trapp's assistants at the Oak Bay course.

Parker one-putted eight of the first 12 holes en route to an easy 5 and 4 victory over seasoned Al MacLeod of Cowichan, a former tournament finalist.

Parker, who had an approximate medal of one over par for the 14 holes he played, had no explanation.

"I had practically the same kind of putts from the same positions the other day in a practice round, and couldn't sink a thing. Today, everything dropped."

Parker's putting put some warmth into a raw and breezy day, highlighted by one minor upset.

That came when Uplands amateur Mike Gray, defeated Colwood professional Bob Hogarth, the runnerup medalist in the qualifying round at

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Fred Worthington (CH) def. Ron Bly (Nan) 4 and 2.
Don Sennett (Nan) def. Keith Swetnam (GM) two up.

Bill Ferguson (Art) def. Rick Hutchison (C) 2 and 1.
Cec Ferguson (GV) 2 and 1.

Don Billings (U) 3 and 2.
Steve Hamilton (RC) def. Doug Milliken (GM) 4 and 2.

Tom Rutledge (U) def. Ron Ferguson (GV) 4 and 2.

Bill Ferguson (C) def. Gary Hogarth (GM) 2 and 1.

Dick Silverberg (GM) def. Ron Carey (RC) def. Brian Slaggett (GM) 4 and 2.

John Gossard (GM) def. Rob Ferguson (GV) 5 and 4.

John Gossard (GM) def. Neil Murray (Eaglecrest) by default.

Grant Milliken (GV) def. Bill Ferguson (GV) 1 up.

Mike Parker (V) def. Al MacLeod (C) 5 and 4.

HANDICAP DIVISION

Tom Maftechuk (GV) def. Norm Hennell (GM) 4 and 2.

Mike Fowles (V) def. Bruce Harper (Nan) 4 and 2.

Ken McLean (GM) def. Rick Truman (CH) 2 and 1.

Terry Karpinski (V) def. Rob Lee (U) 4 and 2.

Pete Moretti (RC) def. Don Norbury (GM) 4 and 2.

Karl Zwick (GV) def. Ray Saxon (CH) 3 and 2.

Don Ferguson (V) def. Ron Forces (CH) 5 and 3.

Mike Parker (V) def. Bill Ferguson (GV) 4 and 2.

George Murphy (GV) def. Bill Ferguson (GV) 4 and 2.

Bob Malcolm (RC) def. Larry Phipps (GM) 4 and 2.

Vince Clarkson (Greg) def. Bill Channing (U) 5 and 4.

Mike Ferguson (C) def. Les Archibald (U) 5 and 4.

Kurt Lampert (CH) def. Emery Wadsworth (GM) 4 and 2.

Sean Murphy (CH) def. Bruce Robertson (GV) one up.

Brian Ferguson (V) def. Ted Robertson (RC) one up.

Bob Ferguson (CH) def. Geoff Howells (U) 4 and 3.

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Uplands, Hogarth overcame a three-hole deficit at the turn to tie the match on the 15th, then promptly returned the advantage to Gray when his approach shot on the 16th caught a trap. Hogarth, also missing a chance to tie it again on the 18th, wound up losing two up.

Both hit the 18th green in the regulation time. Gray, one up, putted first. He charged it and wound up about four feet past the cup. Hogarth was faced with a 15-foot birdie try. But the Colwood pro also hit his approach putt too strongly and wound up outside. Gray missed his putt and conceded Gray his final putt.

Cedar Hill's Fred Worthington, the medalist; defending champion Grant Milliken of Gorge Vale and former winners Bill Wakeham of Cowichan and Cec Ferguson of the Gorge were favorites who didn't falter.

Worthington knocked off Nanaimo's Ron Bell 4 and 3. Milliken slipped by clubmate Bill Burrows one up. Ferguson eliminated Uplands pro Don Billsborough 3 and 2, and Wakeham defeated Fer-

guson's younger brother Gary 4 and 2.

Also joining them in the second round, to be played at Colwood next Sunday, were Don Atkinson of Nanaimo; Rick Kent, John Russell and Dick Silverberg of Glen Meadows; Gerry Walker and Don Little of Gorge Vale; Bill Shvetz and Jim Rulledge of Uplands, and Colwood's Art Carey and Steve Hambleton.

Little had the easiest time of it. Neil Murray, who took over as head pro at the Eaglecrest club near Qualicum Beach on Thursday, defaulted.

Defending champion George Murphy headed the charge into the second round of the handicap championship by defeating Metchosin's Bill Hodgeson 3 and 2.

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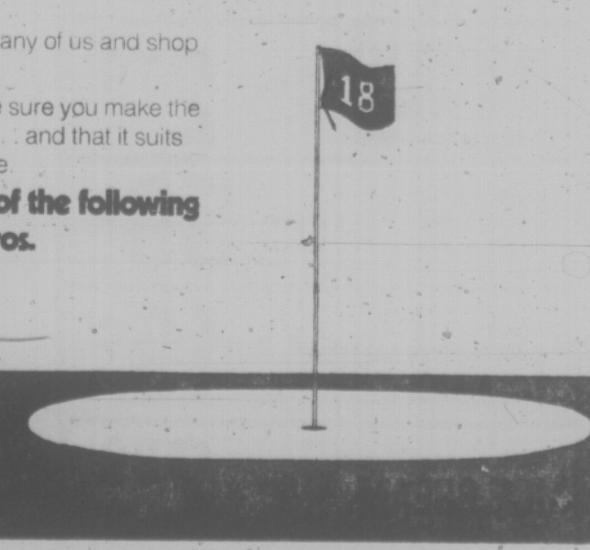
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A Profitable Decision

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP) — Don January, with his aging bones getting weaker from the stresses of a sport dominated by younger men, says he had thought of missing the Tournament of Champions golf tournament.

"I'd played a lot this year, eight weeks out of nine," said January, 46-year-old January. "I was kind of tired and I wasn't too hot about playing."

But the challenge and the money of the prestigious \$225,000 event made the old pro reconsider.

On Sunday he reaped the profits of that decision, carding a final-round 69 for a 271 total, 11 under par and five strokes better than Hubert Green over the 6,855-yard, par-72 La Costa Country Club course.

"Last week at the Masters I

decided it was silly," January said. "Here I am playing golf for a living and they're putting up a \$225,000 pot for me before he decided to come back last year."

He built a five-stroke lead through three rounds easily survived a front-nine threat from Ben Crenshaw, and completed one of sport's most unusual comebacks Sunday with a five-stroke victory and the \$45,000 first prize.

"I'm right glad I decided to play," he said after he became the oldest tour winner since 1968, when 48-year-old Julius Boros won the Westchester Classic.

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**Rookie
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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Tour rookie Gary Koch fired a two-under-par 70 Sunday to capture the \$80,000 top money in the \$80,000 Tallahassee Open golf tournament as experienced pros John Mahaffey and Bob Eastwood buckled under pressure.

Koch, 23, a two-time member of the U.S. Walker Cup team as an amateur, finished with a 277 total, 11 under par, to finish one shot ahead of Mahaffey. Koch sank a four-foot putt for his par on the 18th hole to avoid a play-off.

Eastwood, leader of the tournament the first three days, started play Sunday at 205, 11 under par and a shot ahead of Mahaffey and two shots up on Koch. But Eastwood had a double bogey and four other bogeys as he stumbled in with a five-over-par 77.

Mahaffey, the eighth leading money winner on the Professional Golfers' Association tour last year with about \$140,000, temporarily took the lead when he birdied the second hole. But he never recovered from a double bogey on the fourth hole when he knocked the ball into the water.

He had three more birdies and two more bogeys for an even par 72 and a 278 total which earned him second-place money of \$9,120.

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biology teacher known for his ability to inspire students, thought it was a great idea. And his 20 students in the advanced biology class agreed.

But the idea — performing free spaying operations on cats in class appalled the veterinary community and the Humane Society.

And so, nine operations after it began, the experiment is over, although Wendie still has hopes of using the technique again next year. The

operations amounted to about 20 per cent of the course concentration in the survey class.

"You can't imagine what a tremendous learning experience this is for these kids," Wendie said, adding he views the project as both a teaching device and a community service in this poor logging town of 1,400 where residents have to drive 30 miles to find veterinarians who charge

\$25-\$40 for spaying operations.

Wendie, who says he learned about the sterilization surgery himself by observing some 300 operations while working as a veterinary helper 15 years ago in New Jersey, divided his class into four-person teams that consisted of a "chief surgeon," "assistant surgeon," "anesthetist," and an "equipment handler."

Though Wendie's project proved highly controversial, it was not in violation of laws pertaining to the practice of veterinary medicine or cruelty to animals, according to an assistant attorney general Sue Morton, since no fees were charged and no brutality was involved.

But the Humane Society, arguing that there are grounds for both criminal and civil action, threatened to bring suit and the school board ordered a halt to the program.

IT WAS A GEM OF A BARGAIN

PRINCEVILLE, Ore. (AP) — Leonard Wilkinson's decision to buy the Transvaal Diamond has proven wise. Already, he's made a paper profit of \$120,000 on the deal.

Wilkinson, through his wife, bid \$430,000 for the diamond last Friday in a closed auction in Palm Springs. Early this week, he was offered \$550,000 for the 67.89-carat

gem, the largest champagne-colored diamond in the world.

The gem was sought avidly by Iran, where the treasury is based on rare stones. It took a year of planning to prepare to cut the stone, which was 240 carats in the rough.

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madé meals. Providing both color and flavor which can be quite unexpected until you are familiar with them all, chervil, parsley, chives, sweet cicely and lovage now have leaves to add either in sprays or chopped and sprinkled over egg and cheese dishes, on open-faced sandwiches and on the surface of soups at serving time.

In most gardens it is but a step from the herb bed to the edible weeds now also making growth. Young leaves of dandelion—thin with indented edges, are as good today as when recommended in a 1943 CPC Gardening Bulletin.

Under "Greens": "the old fashioned way of wilting dandelion greens with garden lettuce or other greens was a very good way," we read, and indeed it is. Here it is updated a little.

Steamed Greens with Dandelion Leaves

4 to 5 cups mixed chard, kale, lettuce and dandelion leaves

2 Tbsp margarine or cooking oil

1 Tbsp "chopped green chives"

1 Tbsp vinegar or lemon juice

A little salt

Cook chives in hot oil until wilted; add vinegar (or lemon juice). When heated, add chopped leaves until with moisture drops still attached.

Cover; cook on gentle heat for about 5 minutes, shaking occasionally to turn and prevent sticking. Add few grains salt; serve hot.

Chickweed now, before it goes to seed, is also very good either as a salad green or cooked with a mixed batch of young green vegetable leaves from last year's swiss chard and kale.

These spring greens make a fine dish to go with a nutritious though unusual Egg Pie which bakes in a slow oven at 150 deg. C. for an hour.

Egg Pie

2 hard boiled eggs (small)

1/4 cup currants

2 small eggs, beaten

Pinch of salt

Pieces of margarine

Pastry crust

5 Tbsp. soy oil or soft margarine

3 Tbsp. cold water

1 cup wholewheat flour

1 cup unbleached flour

Pinch'salt

Beat oil and water in basin until blended. Add flour with salt, stirring to blend into a ball of dough. This will make one 10-inch pie crust or one 7-inch and one 6-inch; or a top and bottom crust for one 7-inch pie. Leftover dough keeps well, sealed in plastic film or waxed paper in refrigerator.

Place ball of dough between waxed paper layers; roll thinly to shape. Remove top paper; invert pie plate over dough; invert board with dough on paper over on to plate. Remove board and paper. The dough lies in the plate ready to fill. Turn in edges.

Slice hard boiled eggs; lay on bottom crust. Scatter currants; pour over beaten eggs with salt; dot with margarine. Bake in slow oven at 150 deg. C. for 1 hour.

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DEAR ABBY: I am nearly 13, and I have been reading your column since I was about 11. From the looks of the way married people hate each other, it makes me afraid to get married.

I don't think it would be very much fun to be a grown-up because they have so many problems like getting jobs, paying taxes and the whole political mess. I don't know what I am going to do when I get out of school, but I think I'd rather just spend my whole life in school then be an adult in a world like this one. People keep talking about

peace and love, and all they do is go around hurting and killing each other.

What do you think I should do? —AFRAID TO GROW UP

DEAR AFRAID: Grow up anyway. We need adults who are dissatisfied with a world

filled with people who say they want peace but go around hurting and killing each other. And don't decide against marriage either. My column is a trouble dump. There are plenty of good marriages, but nobody ever writes to Dear Abby to tell me how happy they is.

DEAR ABBY: Is yawning a

Teen Fears Growing — Too Many Problems

sign of physical fatigue? Or is it a sign of boredom? —CURIOS

DEAR CURIOS: It can be either or both. It's usually an involuntary opening of the mouth when you wish others would shut theirs.

DEAR ABBY: The letter from the distressed parents who was shocked at her daughter's "dishonesty and bad taste" in choosing to wear a white wedding gown when everybody knew she was no virgin provoked me into writing this.

My daughter is divorced, over 30, and no virgin either, but she is planning to be married soon, and she has chosen to wear a white gown. In fact, I am knitting it for her now, and I couldn't be happier.

I don't feel that my daughter is declaring herself a virgin by wearing white. She is declaring herself a bride. For that I am thankful.

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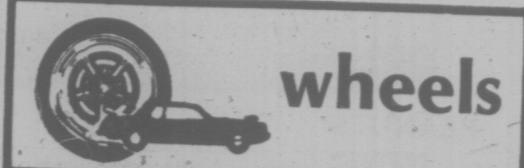
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By MICHAEL LAMM

Dear Mike:

I'm writing you concerning the way some mechanics rip off honest, hardworking folk. The other day I saw a sign outside a service station that said, "Tuneups \$19.95 plus parts." Next day I took my car in, and the tuneup cost me \$80! The mechanic had

put new wiring and other things in my car without my permission. He had my back against the wall — I needed my car right then, so I paid him, but it really burned me up. — RIPPED OFF

Dear Ripped:

A good tuneup can easily cost \$80, but you did get low-balled. In California and some other states, a mechanic has to give you a written estimate, and if he sees the needs to do additional things, he has to get your permission. What you might do now is check in your city to see if the independent garage mechanics have an arbitration board — many do. You might also report the incident to your BBB and, of course, recommend to your friends that they don't frequent that particular station.

Dear Mike:

Our 1974 Chrysler Newport starts fine, goes a block or so, and then loses all power. If we're lucky enough to keep the engine running, it won't accelerate and slowly stops. After the engine warms up though, it runs fine. — ZONKED

Dear Zonked:

Your choke isn't opening or it's opening too quickly, one or the other. You can tell which by checking the exhaust pipe. If there's black smoke coming out, the choke is sticking. If no smoke, it's the opposite.

Dear Mike:

Sometimes the dome light inside my car comes on for no reason. It usually stays on for about 15 minutes and then works normally for a day or a week. It comes on with the doors closed, and the switch has no effect, nor do the little switches in the door jams. I'd like to take out the bulb, but I don't know how to get inside the lamp. The car is a 1969 Torino. I'm worried that this problem will eventually run my battery down. — LIT UP

Dear Lit:

Sounds like a short between the lamp and one of the door switches. Least expensive is to let a mechanic take out the hub (different Torinos had different domelights, so I can't give instructions here.) To fix the short might cost quite a lot, because the wiring is hard to get at.

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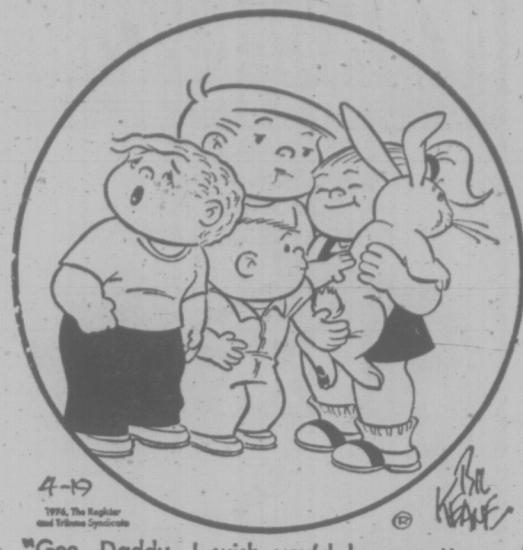
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The Bridge Expert

By FRED KARPIN

As happens quite frequently in nonexpert games, the automatic return of the suit that partner has led originally enables a declarer to fulfill a contract that would have been defeated if judgment had been applied. The above is the theme of today's deal, which was played in a rubber-bridge game.

NORTH
♦ Q7
♥ A ♦ Q9
♦ A ♦ Q6
♦ 1074

WEST **EAST**
♦ J9862 ♦ A1053
♦ 3 ♦ 652
♦ 874 ♦ 1032
♦ KJ93 ♦ A ♦ Q6

SOUTH
♦ K4
♥ K10874
♦ K9
♦ 832

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♦ Pass 1 ♦ Pass
2 ♦ Pass 4 ♦ Pass
Pass Pass

Opening lead: Six of ♦.

North, on his rebid, elected to raise hearts on his well-above minimum opening hand, correctly feeling that this call would be more encouraging than a mere rebid of his diamond suit.

Upon winning West's opening spade lead with his ace, East promptly returned a spade, hoping that his partner possessed the king. As is evi-

dent, South had the king, and captured the trick. He then proceeded to take the rest of the tricks: six hearts and five diamonds. Thus he made 12 tricks, instead of the nine to which he would have been held if East had not played mechanically.

Admittedly, West might have had the spade king. But even if such were the case, where were two more tricks coming from? Surely not in either hearts or diamonds. If South had both of the red-suit kings, he would bring these suits home without loss of a trick. And if West had either or both of these kings, he would be finessed out of them. Surely, if South's contract were to be defeated, the club suit offered the sole hope to the defenders.

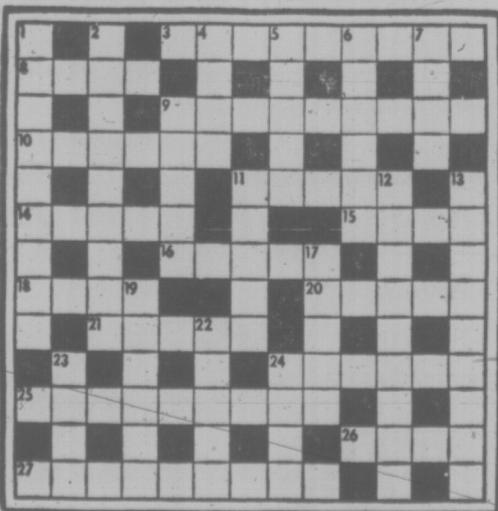
At trick two East should have led the ace of clubs, distasteful as it might have been to him to lead the ace from an A-Q combination. But, again, the lead of a club stood to gain everything, and to lose nothing. If South happened to have the king of clubs, then he could always win a trick with that card by leading a club off dummy. But if West happened to have the club king, then the defenders would be enroute to cashing two or three club tricks.

In the actual setup, on East's (presumed) lead of the club ace at trick two, West would have signaled for a continuation of the suit by playing the nine-spot. And before declarer had ever won a trick, he would have incurred a one-trick set, losing one spade and three clubs.

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14 Repair	15 Anemone
17 Man of letters	16 Chance
18 Makes	18 About
20 Sets off	19 Isle
21 Northern stretch of land	22 Here
22 Provides entertainment	10 Disc jockey
23 Fellow with scars is sought by his enemies	12 Preserve
24 Depression of a man of the church, we hear	15 Anemone
25 Not where ailing sailors are housed	16 Chance



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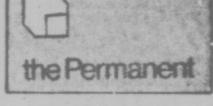
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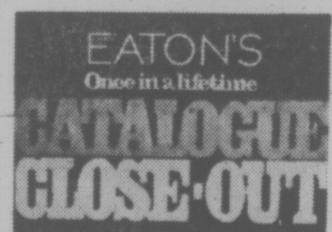
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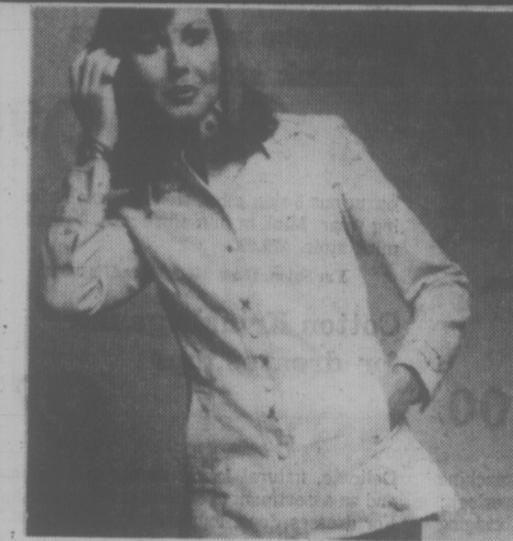


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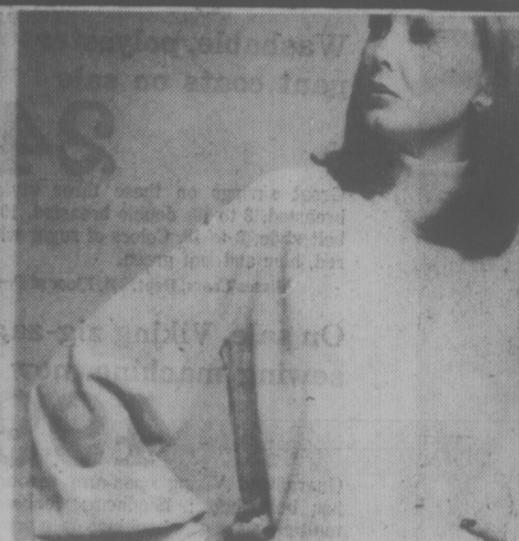


Women's jackets for cosy comfort

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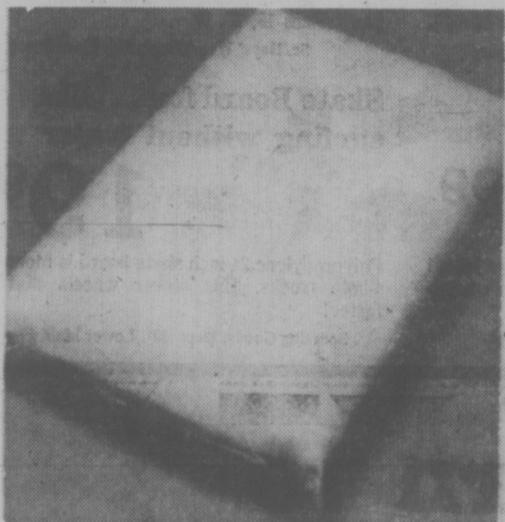


Wear separately or as smart 'combo'

9.99

Popular, practical jean overblouse with belt. Collar and casual short sleeves. Machine washable navy blue 100% cotton denim, 5-15. Matching jeans available feature sturdy, double stitched seam front, 5-15. 9.99.

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Non-allergenic latex foam pillows

6.38 each

Filled with spongy latex foam. Zippered cotton cover removes easily for washing. If you suffer from allergies here's an economical buy. 24" x 15" x 5".

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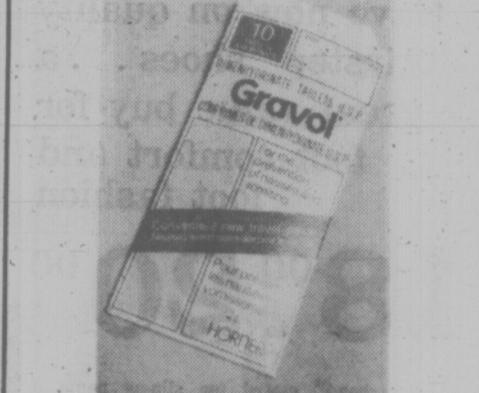
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Machine washable, 45% acrylic, 45% polyester, 10% nylon. Buy several in your choice of green, orange, blue or gold colors. 72" x 84".

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Pleasant-tasting Diovol. Fast-acting to help relieve discomfort of acid indigestion. 12-fl. oz. 1.83



Gravol for travel sickness. Helps control nausea to make for happier trips. Package of 25 tablets. 1.89



Neo-Citron. Hot drink NeoCitron reduces fever, relieves pain. Contains decongestant, anti-histamine and vitamin C to treat colds. 10s. 1.19

Vaseline intensive care. Lotion keeps your skin soft and smooth. Soothes as it moisturizes. 200 ml size. .89

Breck shampoo. A texturizing protein shampoo that gives added body to make hair feel thicker. 600 ml. 1.89

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Women's Shoes, Dept. 238, Floor of Fashion.

Washable, polyester
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24⁹⁹

Great savings on these three styles: single-breasted, 8 to 18; double-breasted, 10 to 20; tie belt style, 8 to 18. Colors of sugar white, navy, red, blue and leaf green.

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On sale, Viking zig-zag
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499⁰⁰

Guaranteed Viking open-arm sewing machine has buttonholer; blindhem; double overlock; multiple zig-zag; smocking; open arm; bridging and much more.

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Boys' landlubber shirt
with embroidered yoke

7⁹⁹

Blue and white cotton chambray shirt styled with snap front and cuffs, long sleeves and front and back yoke. Sizes 8-10, 12. Sizes 14-16, 18-20 9.59.

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7⁹⁹

Shop early for great savings on landlubber jeans! Pre-washed jeans in lightweight, pre-shrunk cotton. Wide leg style. Sizes 14 to 20.

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Elegance and savings
on mink stoles

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Luxurious 6-skin mink stole especially for evening wear. Mink in miniature also. 8-skin natural mink stole, 47.99.

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Reg. 14.95, the ever popular Levi cotton cord pants. Choose from colors of brown, beige and navy. Sizes 16, 18, 20.

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19⁹⁹

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Sporting Goods, Dept. 261, Lower Main Floor.

Buy now! All items return to
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One day only. Tuesday

25% OFF

Shirts and blouses all
25% off! Low, low prices

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Women's Sportswear, Dept. 246, Floor of Fashion.

Regular stock leather
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93⁷⁵ to 138⁷⁵

For one day only save 25% on leather outerwear! Regular, 125.00 to 185.00. Tuesday at Eaton's, you can buy the leather coat you've always wanted, at great savings!

Men's Wear, Dept. 429, Main Floor.

25% off golf sets from
famous manufacturers

34⁸⁷ to 134²⁵

Reg. 46.50-179.00. Save on all 7 and 11-piece golf sets for the average golfer. Sets include: Spalding, Wilson, MacGregor, Ajay.

Sporting Goods, Dept. 261, Lower Main Floor.

25% off
decorator cushions
at these low prices

4⁴⁶ to 37⁴⁶

Velvets, satins and tweeds in plains, patterns and stripes. Reg. 5.95 to 49.95.

Decorative, Dept. 307, Second Floor, Home Furnishings Building.

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Trans-Canada Sale Flyer

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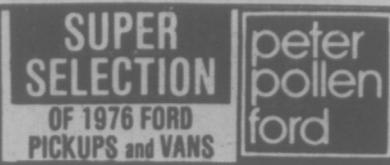


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Israel, Arab Demonstrators Meet Head On

SPORTS

Victoria Cougars have been getting superb goal-tending from Murray Bannerman but not too many goals from their forwards. As a result, Cougars trail New Westminster 7-1 in their eight-point Western Canada Hockey League semi-final series following the Bruins' 3-1 victory Sunday night. Page 14.

Amateur, Mike Gray's two up victory over Colwood professional Bob Hogarth ranked as a minor surprise but the highlight of Sunday's first-round matches in the 27th annual Vancouver Island Open tournament was the putting of Victoria Golf Club's Mike Parker. He had eight one-putt greens en route to a 5 and 4 triumph over Al MacLeod of Cowichan. Page 15.

Andy Messersmith, a celebrated free agent, returned to pitch against his former Los Angeles team but wasn't impressive although Atlanta Braves defeated the Dodgers 7-6 in National Baseball League play Sunday. More impressive, however, was the hitting of Mike Schmidt, who clouted five homers in two weekend games for Philadelphia Phillies. Page 15.

Also on today's sports pages, veteran Don January won golf's Tournament of Champions (page 16).

METHADONE KIDNAPPING

CHILLIWACK (CP) — RCMP Sunday were searching for an armed robber who took four ounces of concentrated methadone Saturday from a drug store in this Fraser Valley community.

A police spokesman said he didn't know whether that amount of methadone could be fatal because "that would probably depend on the individual."

Methadone is used in heroin withdrawal programs, but is diluted before being administered.

Police said that after the man, armed with a shot gun, took the methadone from the store he forced a woman employee to drive him around Chilliwack while he drank the drug. The woman was released unharmed.

Skyjacker Gunned Down

DENVER (UPI) — FBI agents today shot and killed a hijacker holding two hostages at gunpoint when he switched from a commandeered light plane to jet for a flight to Mexico City.

The hijacker, Roger Lentz, commanded the plane in Grand Island, Neb.

He was killed by agents as he stepped inside the passenger cabin of a Convair 990 at Stapleton International Airport.

Neither hostage, pilot Robert Blair of Grand Island nor mechanic Harlan Hillers, were injured. They preceded Lentz into the co-pilot and stepped out of the line of fire.

FBI spokesman Ted Rosack said Lentz was a native of Marquette, Neb., and had a Nebraska criminal record.

Rosack would not say how often Lentz, 31, was shot but said "there were quite a few gunshot wounds."

JERICHO (CP) — Israeli security forces battled with Arab demonstrators here today as tens of thousands of ultra-nationalist Israelis reached the end of a march through the occupied West Bank of the Jordan.

As the long column of marchers, some of them armed, struggled over the hills to the finishing point of their 20-mile trek just outside the town, hundreds of young Arabs gathered in the main square and stoned soldiers and passing cars.

Security forces beat them back with baton charges and placed the town under curfew. In Jenin, a West Bank town further north, an Arab resident was wounded when Israeli troops fired shots to disperse demonstrators.

The young Arabs stoned soldiers and border police in Jenin who tried to disperse them before the shots were fired, security forces said. The man was being treated in hospital.

During the weekend a six-year-old boy died of gunshot wounds in riots at the town of Ramallah.

The West Bank march was organized by the Gush Emunim (Loyalist Bloc) to back their claim that Jews have a right to settle in the occupied areas as part of the biblical land of Israel.

On Sunday, about 40,000 militant Israelis and 10,000 Arabs held rival demonstrations a few miles apart in the occupied West Bank, but strong security forces kept the two crowds apart.

The march was an open challenge to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's policy of using the West Bank as bait for a peace settlement with Jordan. However, the group was given permission to stage the demonstration after promising to stay out of Arab villages along the 24-mile route and to leave the area after reaching Jericho, the site of Joshua's victory.

By PAT DUFOUR
Times Staff

Sooke loggers Bill Ferguson and Fransie Wilson were sooted when they felled a huge cedar tree between Sooke and Jordan River and out popped a 200-pound bear.

"The tree was hollow and split open full length. This big black thing came tearing out and ran away. She had obviously gone inside to hibernate and clawed her way up inside about 50 feet," Ferguson said.

"Then I heard noises and when I went to investigate there were three little cubs inside."

He said it was snowing when he and Wilson felled the tree. They discussed what to do and decided to leave the cubs tucked away in the trunk in the hope their mother would return.

She didn't.

Ferguson waited for about a day and a half.

"I took a bottle of milk up but they didn't want to feed. So we decided we'd better bring them out," he said.

"She (the bear) was probably terribly, terribly shocked," said Mrs. Ferguson. "My husband was also very surprised and very upset. He couldn't sleep, he was so worried about them. It was very cold and snowy."

The Fergusons took the cubs home to their house, feeding them from a mixture of canned milk, water and egg yolks.

They contacted Jack Lenfestey of the provincial fish and wildlife department.

The three cubs were taken to the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals shelter on Napier Lane here.

About a foot long and weighing four pounds each, the cubs are about two months old.

SPCA spokesman Rick West said they're each taking about 10 ounces of milk a day, being fed about every three hours.

"When we look in without disturbing them, you can see them playing and wrestling with each other but when people are around they stick close together in a corner for security," West said.

Lenfesty said the cubs will be taken to the Stanley Park Zoo in Vancouver, probably on Wednesday.

But Ferguson still worries about their mother.

"He'd never have cut down the tree if he'd known," said his wife.

Employed by Fred Staverman, Ferguson and Wilson will have an eye out for the cubs' mothers when they return to work on Tuesday.

SUDDEN SILENCE OVER LEBANON

BEIRUT (AP) — Fighting dropped off sharply in the Lebanese civil war today as Syrian officers called in Lebanese leaders to try to arrange enforcement of another ceasefire.

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Rick West of the SPCA . . . and three little friends

WOODSMEN SPARE THOSE BEAR CUBS

By PAT DUFOUR

Times Staff

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As much "visual interest" as a Safeway parking lot

THE MALL: ANTISEPTIC AND BORING

Concept and Reality Fail to Meet

By PAUL MOSS

(A commentary by The Times City Hall reporter.)

Few clichés on the urban

planning scene in Canada are

more overworked than "people-oriented."

Any developer with an ounce of awareness knows he can improve his proposal's chances of acceptance if he tossets in a few plazas, courtyards and the like, to convince the municipal council that the development will be a delightful "people place."

This, too, was the rationale for Victoria's Government Street Mall (to give it its full pretentious title). But last week it surely became obvious, if it wasn't obvious already, that there's an enormous difference between the concept and the reality.

The concept, as outlined in the florid prose of the planners, sounded just great. Remember that consultant's report back in August of 1973?

"The mall is envisioned as a pleasant composition of activities and materials organized in an efficient manner but which encourages spontaneity, color, movement and variety in a sequence of open, plaza-like spaces."

"It will support a lively group atmosphere where people can gather together to look at, listen to or be a part of a group activity — all in an historic setting."

"Commercial connectors should serve to direct the shopper between these nodes of activity and to form the major pedestrian pathway through the mall. While this pathway is physically continuous, it will need to be broken by points of visual interest — sculpture, street furniture, outdoor restaurants, markets, stalls, displays..."

Conjures up a cheerful urban vista, wouldn't you agree? Full of color and North American bustle and bustle, but with a dash of civilized European flavor?

But what do Victorians actually have for their money (estimated cost \$960,000, of which about \$775,000, has been

spent)? In a word, dullsville. Not only is the five-block-long "mall" between Humboldt and Yates not a mall at all in the true sense of the term — even city aldermen now refer to it in a shamed sort of way, as a "sidewalk beautification" project — but it has about as much "visual interest," warmth and variety as a Safeway parking lot.

Tiled sidewalk, planters, lamp standards and banners march away in grimly determined, clinical perspective. It's clean. It's symmetrical. It's frighteningly boring.

Last week, however, a proposal came before council's roads committee for something to break the monotony.

Brand's Restaurant, 1009 Government, sought permission to place four tables on the sidewalk outside its premises, beneath a large awning. As the firm's architect explained, the sheltered but cheery atmosphere for diners and shoppers.

A reasonable enough proposal, one would think, considering the aforementioned report and its visions of "lively group atmosphere," of "activity" and all the rest.

But our myopic, sense-worthies were quite scandalized, shaken to the very core, as if it were some shady outfit from London's Soho district trying to set up a feathery

peacock booth right there on the precious mall.

With the exception of committee chairman Ald. John Hayes, who was all for granting approval on a trial basis, aldermen vehemently rejected the notion. And their recommendation is virtually certain to be endorsed by this week's full council meeting.

Why?

Well, it's the old operating-the-flood-gates business which haunts our elected representatives. Whatever happens, we must be careful never, but never, to set a precedent. Give 'em 2.54 centimetres and they'll take an ell's worth of metric equivalent.

Heavens, if one restaurant is allowed to serve meals to patrons on the sidewalk, who knows what crazies will follow? Next thing you know we'll be picking our way through an obstacle course of barrels, stalls and baskets of produce,

beset by yelling hawkers. An instant Calcutta in downtown Victoria.

Hayes suggested a simple solution, restricting the sidewalk encroachment privilege to a few restaurants and cafes. But he might as well have saved his breath.

The pity is that no one thought to inquire about the city of Vancouver's experience with the Granville Street Mall. Four or five restaurants, mostly in the 800 and 900 blocks, were allowed to extend their business on to the mall last summer, and they'll be doing so again this summer.

A spokesman for the city's social planning department says there have been no problems at all. The firms are charged a rental fee for encroaching on city property, and the city stipulates that

disposable utensils — no glassware — have to be used.

The outdoor cafeteria area has to be separated from the main pedestrian thoroughfare by a portable grille, planter or similar partition. "The only hassle was meeting the design standards of the city engineer," said the official.

Apart from this exemption to the general rule, the only other entrepreneurs allowed to ply their open-air trade on Granville are the licensed hawkers.

But what's good enough for Vancouver obviously isn't good enough for Victoria.

Hayes, who accused his council colleagues of perpetuating a "sterility complex" with regard to civic improvement schemes, lamented: "I really question why the hell we ever built the mall in the first place if it's not going to be used."

At least some citizens must be wondering the same thing.

Ferry Bid Dropped

Provincial Transport Minister Jack Davis will have only one bid for the Princess Marguerite in front of him when he returns to his desk Tuesday after the Easter holiday.

A spokesman for a second group, a syndicate of Victoria merchants, interested in the government vessel said today he won't make a countering offer.

Suspicious Manager Tracks Stolen Money

A bunch paid off over the weekend for Lawrie Smith, manager of Royal Oak Sporting Goods, 4450 West Saanich.

Arriving at work early Saturday, Smith discovered a cash box containing about \$1,700 in cash and cheques had been stolen from a back room.

He said today he reasoned whoever took the money must

"The Marguerite looks like a loser," he said.

He added that his group was concerned about a requirement by the Port of Seattle Authority that the owner of the Marguerite pay \$150,000 per year for 10 years to assist with renovations to the Seattle dock.

On Saturday, Victoria businessman Hayne Chase announced through his spokesman that he would make a bid

to buy or lease the Marguerite and would be willing to make the required payments to the Port of Seattle.

Seattle plans to upgrade Pier 66, where the Marguerite docks, in time for the 1977 season. Existing facilities at Pier 64, parts of which are 40 years old, will be available this season, even though the dock is in danger of being demolished.

The new Pier 66 terminal would include a vehicle ramp and passenger gangway, ticketing and customs facilities and new headquarters for the port authority.

The \$1.5 million payment would not give the Marguerite owner any share in the Seattle dock, since the authority would consider the \$150,000 annual payment as rent for the 10-year period.

Meanwhile, there have been inquiries about the Marguerite from large luxury liner companies but no formal offers.

Davis has indicated the government is willing to sell the Marguerite if the offer is high enough. He did not indicate his asking price.

She said when she got up this morning she discovered the back fence had been broken in a couple of places.

"My dog was making a great brrrrrrr early this morning but when I went to investigate I found him barking at a cat," she said.

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